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# £18m bill for fire service's 'blunder'

BY IAN MURRAY AND RICHARD DUCE

EMERGENCY services face a spate of claims for damages after a county council was ordered to pay £16 million compensation and more than £2 million legal costs yesterday because of a "bad blunder" by its fire brigade.

Hampshire was found liable by the High Court for the damage to the state-of-the-art headquarters of Digital Equipment computer complex in Basingstoke, which was destroyed by fire in 1990.

The court refused to accept the council's argument that fire brigades, like the police, are immune from being sued as a matter of public policy. The county is to seek leave to appeal, but brigades fear that the decision could lead to many more damages claims.

"If this judgment is upheld. it means that anybody who has a grievance about the way a fire was put out can go to law," Mark Oates, of the Association of County Councils, said. "It is going to make firemen start worrying about they should be thinking about

putting out the fire." Mike Warner, chairman of the association's fire services committee, said: "This is a dangerous precedent. It will affect the judgment of officers about whether to send their men into a fire. Judges sitting on benches have no idea what it means to go into a blazing building and take life-anddeath decisions while facing

death themselves." The Digital Equipment fire on March 6, 1990 left little time for the brigade to act. There was just time to evacuate the 400 staff before the blaze swept through the modern building. More than 100 firefighters from 15 Hampshire and Berkshire stations were called, but they had little chance because of the speed with which the fire spread through the building. A plume of smoke that could be seen from 20 miles away rose above the fire.

The fire was moving faster than a man could run," according to Peter Robertson. Chief Executive of Hampshire. "They had no hope of doing much about it because of the design of the building. There were no fire breaks and a fire ball just swept through

the roof space in no time. The officer in charge took a decision to turn the sprinkler system off. There was so much smoke billowing up that it was impossible to see where the seat of the fire was. He decided that the sprinklers were contributing to the smoke and that if they were switched off, it might be possible to find the seat of the fire and put it out. On top of that, he came to the conclusion that as there was so much computer equipment it would be wrecked if water poured on to it.

"He took the best decision he could in very difficult circumstances. We have no criticism to make of him.

"On the contrary, the fact that there were no casualties at all in a very major fire is a tribute to his efficiency. Instead of being sued, we should be being thanked. This judgment is a disaster, not only for the county, but for brigades all over the country. It means that council tax payers are being asked to pick up the bill which should be paid by insurance

companies. He added: "The meaning of this judgment is that if you do nothing, you can't be held Continued on page 2. col 6



A dress rehearsal for today's opening ceremony at Wembley of the European football championship, at which 40,000 balloons will be released from a replica of the trophy

## Wembley prepares to send balloon up for Euro 96

By JOHN GOODBODY. ALICE THOMPSON AND MICHAEL BINYON

SIR STANLEY MATTHEWS will this afternoon unveil a 35ft high replica of the European football championship trophy at Wembiey in the opening ceremony of the biggest sports event to be staged in Britain since the 1966 World Cup.

The pageantry of the or ing ceremony, including medieval knights and a parade of famous English players of the past, will be screened in 194 countries. As the replica trophy opens, it will release about 40,000 balloons.

John Major last night heralded the start of Euro 96, saying he hoped it would spark the return of the feelgood factor and a summer

of easy living He said: "We are just entering summer sporting heaven - two Test series, Wimbledon. the Olympics and, starting today. Euro 96. All in all, a mouth-watering feast of sporting entertainment. And the sun has even started to shine." In a 600-word article for the



was delighted that the thirdbiggest sporting event in the world was taking place in England and extolled the virtues of British football.

Mr Major gave tips on who to watch - Djorkaeff and Del Piero - and countries to beware of - a Klinsmannpowered Germany. "I would not write off the likes of Croatia, Russia and Portugal." he wrote.

A Euro 96 spokesman said yesterday: "The dress rehearsal went perfectly. But the knights must have been sweltering inside their armour."

More than 1.000 officers will be on duty at Wembley for England's opening game against Switzerland, which kicks-off at 3 pm. This follows the opening ceremony, which will begin with a display entitled "Merrie England" - a

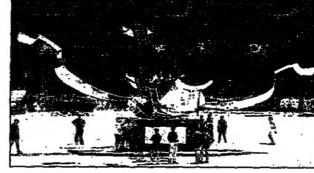
Lineker, and Sir Bobby and Jackie Charlton. Sixteen Red Devils, each carrying a flag of one of the participating nations, will then parachute into the nat-

carnival of 320 dancers, fol-

lowed by an exhibition of men

dressed as medieval knights

and a parade of players, including Sir Stanley, Gary



ional stadium. Children will parade with flags.

The tournament, which has been held every four years since 1960, is expected to make a profit for UEFA, the governing body of European football, of about £100 million.

In the only sour note, hundreds of Russian footbal fans who paid thousands of pounds for fares and accommodation will be unable to watch their side play in because they have not been granted visas. The furious fans have be-

sieged the Russian state football union. Angry Russian officials yesterday accused

British consular staff of keep ing out genuine fans on the pretext that they were seeking work or political asylum. They gave a warning that if the issue was not resolved by Monday, the Russian consul ate in London would start copying British delays.

Of the 373 fans seeking to come to Britain, only 62 had received visas by yesterday. About 245 have been asked to go for interview, but only five or six applicants are being processed each day. Most fans submitted their applications more that six weeks ago, but many have been invited to the embassy for interview the day after Russia plays its first views, they have been asked to name the Russian coach and the clubs from which the players come.

The fans have pre-paid their fixed date plane tickets, which cannot be changed. They also stand to lose huge sums in lost hotel bookings and tickets.

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### Hussain's first Test century

Nasser Hussain scored 128. his maiden Test century, to steer England to 313, a firstinnings lead of 99 over India on the second day of the first Test at Edgbaston. India were five for no wicket in their second innings when bad light stopped play .... Page 48

### Derby double

Henry Cecil, who won yesterday's Oaks with Lady Carla, 

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## Rabies fear after pregnant woman is bitten by bat

By NIGEL HAWKES

A PREGNANT woman has been bitten by a bat suspected of carrying rabies, the Minismy of Agriculture disclosed

Sheila Wright and another woman who was helping her to transport the animal were both bitten on the hand as they tried to rescue it after it had been found in distress in Newhaven, East Sussex. Both have been vaccinated against the disease as a precaution, even though there have been only two known cases in Europe of rabies infection from a bat

The bat had most likely reached Britain from the Continent, blown by winds or possibly carried in a container to an English port. Keith Meldrum, Chief Veterinary Officer, said yesterday. But he could not rule out the possibility that it had contracted the

rabies in Britain. The Daubenton's bat (Myo-tis daubentonii) was found on its own on May 30, hanging from the wall of a building in the town. It was behaving oddly, was apparently unable to fly, and attempted to hite



people when they approached. Investigations by ministry scientists have failed to find any other bats of the same species in the vicinity, or any other person who has been bitten.

The bat, now dead, was passed on to the Central Veterinary Laboratory on June 3 and tested positive to an initial rabies antibody test. It must undergo three further tests before the disease can be definitely confirmed and final results are not expected to be known until June 28. If confirmed, this will be the first known case of this strain of rabies being found in Britain.



Sheila Wright, bitten by a Daubenton's bat

The strain is different from that suffered by dogs, foxes or other pets, and there are no known cases of it being transmitted to other mammals.

There have been only two documented cases of humans dying after contracting this strain - the last in Finland in 1985, when a scientist who frequently handled bats died. said Mr Meldrum.

Mrs Wright, who is expecting her baby in ten days' time, is a member of the Sussex Bat Group. She said: "I have been told I am not much at risk and been reassured that I am OK. It has come as a shock, but I

am not too worried."

### Five held over IRA **Docklands** bombing

By Stewart Tendler, Nicholas Watt and Adrian Lee

FIVE men were held yesterday in South Armagh's "Bandit Country" and in London by detectives investigating the IRA lorry bomb attack on the Isle of Dogs in London. The raids were launched by

anti-terrorist detectives hunting for the gang which built and delivered the low-loader lorry which hid the one-ton bomb. The device, planted on February 10, killed two men and signalled the end of the IRA ceasefire.

Yesterday detectives from Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch and the RUC were covered by scores of troops as they carried out dawn raids on addresses in the terrorist stronghold of Forkhill, South Armagh. The operation was described as one of the largest since the IRA ceasefire in 1994.

Four men were arrested and flown to London for questioning in the high security wing of Paddington Green police station. They were joined by a fifth man of Irish extraction arrested at a London address. Last night detectives were also hunting a sixth man whose east London home ten minutes from South Quay was raided early yesterday. He disappeared a week ago. Detectives hope the raids will identify the secret workshop on the Ulster border where the low-loader was built with parts from

other vehicles. The operation was started by the Yard a month ago and ed to Ulster. Fresh leads brought the investigators back to London and new clues. Senior ministers were warned the raids were being planned because of the tension surrounding peace talks next

Last night Sinn Fein accused the Government of trying to appease Unionists and Conservative backbenchers by "saturating" South Armagh with troops.

Pat McNamee, Sinn Fein's newly elected member of the forum for Newry and Armagh, said: "The arrest of four people in South Armagh this morning has been used as an excuse to saturate the whole county with British troops. The people of Armagh see the actions of the British Government and its army today as another act of provocation."

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FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN BRUSSELS BRITAIN'S top civil servant at the European Commission

took the highly unusual step of

going public last night with a blunt defence of Britain's place

in Europe and implictly blam-ing the Government for the

David Williamson, who, as

secretary-general of the Com-

mission, is head of all its staff,

said that he wanted to correct

the picture because of the

"current European witch-hunt". He extolled the benefits

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# IRA blamed after policeman is shot dead in ambush

IRISH CORRESPONDENT

A SENIOR Irish policeman was killed and a second seriously injured during a sus-pected IRA raid on a mail van n a tourist village in the west of Ireland yesterday.

Police sources say they were paying little attention to IRA denials of involvement in the murder of Detective Gerry McCabe, 52, and the shooting of a colleague in Adare, Co Limerick, yesterday. They found two incendiary devices and Kalashnikov bullets in and near the two vehicles used by the gunmen.

The use of the Kalashnikov rifle and the paramilitary mode of the attack were seen by officers as pointing to a republican terrorist link.

The shooting happened at 6.55am as Detective McCabe and his long-time colleague, Detective William O'Sullivan. also 52, were escorting a post office lorry carrying up to £100,000 in social security cheques and pension pay-ments for residents in West Limerick.

Outside the Adare post of-fice a black four-wheel drive vehicle with false number plates rammed the back of the unmarked police car. Up to



McCabe: shot before he could reach his gun

sprayed the car with bullets, killing Detective McCabe instantly and wounding his colleague in the right shoulder and face.

The two policemen were armed with hand guns and an Uzi sub-machinegun but had no time to reach for their weapons. William Jackson, 46, the post office driver, said the gunmen had full access to the money but took nothing. He said "I instantly put up my hands because I thought it was going to be me next. Either one of them panicked,

wearing balaclavas and military fatigues. The local newsagent was walking to work when the shooting happened. He said the two detectives had no chance of escape.

Locals reported the gunmen shouted "Leave it; go. go, go" before escaping in a saloon car. The getaway car was later found in a wooded area about eight miles away.

The two policemen were long-time partners, and wellknown in the Limerick area. Detective McCabe was the father of five children and had been in the Garda for more than 30 years. Detective O'Sullivan had received the Scott medal for bravery for his part in foiling a bank raid. Both were friends of the former Irish Justice Minister and local member of parlia-ment Desmond O'Malley. He said he believed a paramilitary connection was "quite

In Dublin government circles, while the incident was regarded as grave, it was not seen as a genuine threat to the peace process. The shooting, the thirteenth Irish police fatality since the start of the Northern Ireland troubles. was condemned by the Prime Minister, John Bruton and by



A police officer stands watch over the victim's car

Owen. The search for the gang extended over several southwestern counties.

The official view appeared to be that while past or present IRA men may have carried out by the organisation's army

selves from the shooting in a statement telephoned to the

shooting had been authorised

The IRA distanced them-

said "the best cure for Euroscepticaemia is a dose of common sense". His speech amounted to a cri de coeur from a man who rarely expresses a view in public. It reflected the indignation widespread among British EU staff over the Government's handling of the BSE affair. The crisis, Mr Williamson

said. was "a British problem". He hoped that the disease could be eradicated quickly and noted that the EU would spend more than £1 billion this year "as a direct consequence of the British authorities' announcement on BSE".

Ministers played down expectations of reaching agree-ment over the beef crisis before or at the Florence summit on June 21. Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, returned from a tour of six European capitals and indicated that there was only a slim chance of the EU agreeing to a framework for a phased lifting of the beef ban within the next two weeks.

# Speculation grows over renewed ceasefire

By NICHOLAS WATT CHIEF IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

THE IRA fuelled speculation yesterday that it may renew its ceasefire when a senior republican source said its leadership was studying the Anglo-Irish agenda for next week's all-party

Amid uncertainty about the republican movement's strategy ahead of the talks, the source said it was significant that the IRA was prepared to say publicly that it was studying the

Gerry Adams, the Sinn Fein president, said that the IRA statement showed the "IRA's preparedness" to help the peace process. Speaking in

Magherafelt, Co Londonderry, he went further than the IRA statement when he said the Anglo-Irish agenda could play a "potentially useful part in providing a framework to settle proce-dural and agenda matters".

David Trimble, the leader of the Ulster Unionists, said yesterday that he would call for republicans and loyalists to be excluded from the talks if they failed to start decommissioning by the end of the opening session.

The MP for Upper Bann added that his party had not yet accepted the Anglo-Irish decision to invite George Mitchell to chair the all-party talks. Mr Trimble is seeking a meeting with Mr Mitchell to be reassured that the former US Senator will act impartially.

Unionists also called on the RUC to arrest six prominent republicans who were named by the BBC as leading members of the IRA.

Mr Paisley's comments came after Thursday night's edition of Spotlight, a BBC Northern Ireland currrent affairs programme, described six well known republicans as the "key decision makers" of the IRA. The programme named Martin

McGuinness. 45, Sinn Fein's chief negotiator with the British Government, who has just been elected to the new Northern Ireland forum for the Foyle constituency. He recently denied that he was a

member of the IRA Army Council, although he told a Dublin court in the 1970s that he was "very very proud" to be a member of the IRA.

It also named Gerry Kelly. 43, the convicted IRA bomber who has also just been elected to the new forum for the North Belfast constituency, and Brian Keenan, who was described in the programme as one of the most intelligent military operators in the modern iRA.

Others alleged by the programme to be IRA chiefs were: Sean "Spike" Murray, from Belfast; Kevin McKenna and Joe Cahill. An RUC spokesman said: "We are

fully aware of the contents of the Spotlight programme. However, successful prosecutions in court require

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# Trimble backs EU rebels

By Andrew Pierce, political correspondent

ster Unionist leader whose day for the first day of the will be high on the list." support is critical to the Con- historic all-party peace talks. servatives, has agreed to sponsor Bill Cash's Referendum Bill, which is opposed by the Government John Redwood, the defeated Tory leadership candidate, has decided to vote for the Bill and give Mr Cash his support.

Tory whips have been working behind the scenes to try to limit backbench support for the Tory MP's Bill, which he will introduce under the Commons 10-minute rule procedure on Monday. The Ulster Unionists, who have made increasingly Euro-scep-tic noises over the issue of fishing quotas, were expected

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DAVID TRIMBLE, the UI- to remain in Ulster on Mon- tricht referendum campaign,

But Mr Trimble has not only agreed to vote for the measure, he is one of the 12 sponsors. Peter Shore, the veteran Labour MP and former Cabinet minister, has also been signed up as a sponsor in a further sign of growing all-party support.
Mr Cash and his support-

ers, who include Sir James Goldsmith's Referendum Party, were expected to spend the weekend telephoning potential supporters. Norman Lamont, the former Chancellor, and Nick Harvey, a Liberal Democrat MP who was a member of the MaasMr Cash, MP for Stafford,

said: "The Government has taken issue with the bill. The Labour Party and the Liberal Democrats have sat on their bands. But support is coming in from all quarters."

The Bill stops short of

demanding withdrawal from the European Union. The question is focused instead on whether Britain supports monetary union, a single currency and a federal Europe. ☐ Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, and his Treasury team yesterday Dorneywood, his country residence, to review options for

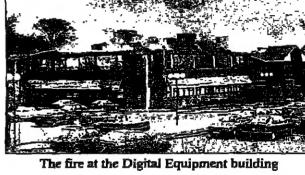
### £18m bill Continued from page I

liable. If you do something. then people can hold you responsible for a decision taken at a time when nobody can possibly know what the right

thing to do is. Hampshire is one of a number of fire brigades which have stopped buying insurance and fund a plan of their own. This is an economy measure because of the high cost of premiums at a time when county councils are par-

ing expenses to the minimum. The damages bill will be met from county funds, but it will mean cuts in other services in the year ahead. Mr Roberston said that the council was seeking a stay in paying the damages until any

appeal was heard. In his ruling yesterday,



Judge Havery QC, the High Court Referee, said the county must pay because there was no justification for the officer departing from the principle that sprinklers should always be left on until a fire was extinguished.

He rejected the argument that his judgement would lead to a flood of similar cases, saying unmeritorious actions would not succeed. US experience: Lawsuits against fire brigades happen occasionally in the United States, although they are more common in small communities where there might be a volunteer firefighter who has fallen down on the job (Quen-



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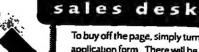
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# Businessman who caught burglar is cleared of assault

BUSINESSMAN who caught and bound a burglar he found stealing from his warehouse was cleared of false imprisonment and assault yesterday.

A jury took less than 20 minutes to decide that Nick Rodwell, 46. had not behaved unreasonably while carrying out a citizen's arrest on Christopher Love, who suffered a bloody nose and black eye in the scuffle. Three of Mr helped to detain Love. 20, were also found not guilty.

After delivery their verdict, members of the jury waited outside court to shake the men's hands and offer to buy them a drink. If the defendants had been found guilty they could have faced prison

sentences of up to four years.

Mr Rodwell denounced the case, estimated to have cost about £230,000, as a waste of innocent and I believe in justice. At the beginning of the trial they offered me a deal where, if I pleaded guilty to actual bodily harm, I would be let off with a fine. But I refused because I wanted to clear my name and my family's name."

He said he had been driven to take direct action because a string of 30 break-ins within a



Love given community service for burglary

year was crippling his busi-ness in Kettering, Northamp-tonshire. He had lost £20,000 of stock, including training shoes, tea sets and hi-fis.

This has destroyed me and put a great deal of strain on my family," said Mr Rodwell. a father of five who had never been arrested before. "I have lost two shops and thousands of pounds of stock and been through ten months of hell.

There has been a lot of personal pressure. For months people have been hearing me as being described as someone who imprisoned a man and beat him up. Nothing was written about the hurgiar.

'It has taken me seven years to build up this business. I built it up from nothing - now

Rodwell denied. 'I feel I was treated very badly by the police," Mr Rodwell said. "When they arrested me I had to wear a disposable suit and I was locked up for 23 hours." He is now considering whether to take legal action against the

"I asked the police to help to

protect my business, but they

said they didn't have the

but to do something about it.

Christopher Love has admitted stealing from me and he

gets 120 hours' community

service. He's now working in a charity shop in town."

Northampton Crown Court

was told that Mr Rodwell and

his workers, Chris Baxter, 31,

Greg Hill, 36, and Malcolm Deal, 41, had caught Love

climbing through a window at

the Kettering Auctions ware-

house in August last year.

Love had previously worked for Mr Rodwell. They fied his

hands behind his back and

held him captive for nearly

three hours, during which they took him to a bedsit and

made him hand over stock

Mr Rodwell then flagged

down a police car. One of the policeman said: "Well done, We have been looking for him

for a year." But when they saw

Love's hands were tied and his

Love, who admitted bur-

glary, had 14 previous convic-

tions for burglary and 19 for theft. He claimed that Mr

Rodwell punched and hit him

with a cricket bat, which Mr

face was bloody and swollen

they arrested Mr Rodwell.

stolen in previous burglaries,

The CPS is understood to have proceeded with the case because violence was threatened, the incident was premeditated and it was carried out by a group with a ringleader. A spokeswoman said that if someone made a citizen's arrest they should telephone the police immediately.



The Queen at Paul McCartney's Liverpool Institute for the Performing Arts

# McCartney gives Her Majesty a glimpse of fame

THE man in the smart grey suit and short haircut who welcomed the Queen to Liverpool yesterday was barely recognisable as the mop-topped pop idol who went to Buckingham Palace for his MBE in 1965, and put about the false rumour that he had smoked pot in the waiting room to calm his nerves.

Paul McCariney had returned to his home city, which gave birth to the Beatles, to conduct the Queen around his most treasured project, the conversion of his old secondary school, which he attended with George Harrison, into the Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts. The former Sixties rebel had himself been converted, leading students and staff in three cheers for the Queen after she formally opened the school.

McCartney last met the Queen 14 years ago when the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra played a concert of Beatles music at the Albert Hall. The Queen later became one of the first of more than 2.000 people who made a personal dona-tion to help to establish the £15 million college. When the Beatles had their

first hit, she failed to succumb to the mania that reduced the entire teenage population to screaming, ecstatic jelly. Yesterday she saw 15 students performing in a contemporary dance studio, listened to one of the institute's own rock bands, The Salvation, perform one of its compositions,



McCartney in 1965, the year he was made MBE

and listened to a student, Julie Thompson, 22, record a new ong, Perfect World.

Later, in the Paul McCartney auditorium, monarch and founder listened to a choir sing a medley of Stephen Sondheim show-tunes, the Beatles' own song Blackbird from their White Album, and a song from the musical Fame entitled I Feel The Body Electric. The Queen then mounted the stage, but re-stricted herself to unveiling a plaque and signing the visitors' book.

"She was very impressed; she was very entertained by all of it," McCartney said later, brushing aside rumours that he would shortly be awarded a knighthood, "It's too embarrassing to think about, isn't it? I don't know anything about it," the 25th richest person in Britain said.

## Girl, 3, locked in car as temperature reaches record 32C

Nick Rodwell thanking jurors after his acquittal

BY EMMA WILKINS AND KYLE SMITH

antibiotics to protect her from

infection. They secured her arms so that she would not be

The highest temperature re-

corded yesterday - and this year - was 32.4C (90F) in

Gravesend, Kent. That fol-

lowed national highs of 28C

(82F) on Wednesday and 31C

(88F) on Thursday, also at

The weekend promises slight relief, with forecasts by

the London Weather Centre of

possible thunderstorms and

lower temperatures of 23-24C today and tomorrow.

London Ambulance Service

announced that the volume of

emergency calls it received

rose 27 per cent above normal.

to 2,818 from an average of

be down to the weather," said

Eight teenage girls col-lapsed from heat exhaustion

while participating in an ath-letic event and were taken to

hospital in Walthamstow,

London. They were recovering

It was so hot that the rail

system added one more excuse

for late trains to its repertoire.

Travellers on the Great West-

ern line from Paddington sta-

tion sweated out delays of up

to an hour after train macks

expanded in the heat.

at Whipps Cross Hospital.

spokesman.

The 600 extra calls seem to

able to pick at her blisters.

A CHILD left sweltering in a after they treated her with locked car while her mother went shopping was rescued by a policewoman who squeezed through the partly open

The distressed thild was crying for her mother, but when the woman was found she did not thank the officer. WPC Debbie Forbes, 31, who was called to the car at Newbury. Berkshire, by a worried member of the public,

unlocked a door from inside. She said: "The poor little girl was really baking. She had gone a strange colour, she was crying and screaming 'Mummy". Her hair was wet and she

was covered in sweat." WPC Forbes, who has three children, took the girl to a calé for a cold drink before tracing the mother. "I didn't even get a thank-you from the mum," she said. The policewoman told her that if the RSPCA had been called to a dog in similar circumstances, "her car win-dow would have been smashed and her dog would

have been removed". In Somerset, a three-monthold girl suffered serious sunburn when her grandfather took her for a walk in an open pram. Aoife McCarthy was recovering at the Royal United Hospital, Bath, from heat blisters after her grandfather had pushed her for 40 minutes around a park in Keynsham.

Doctors said that she would recover with minimal scarring

### Student in fumes death was killed unlawfully

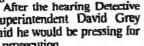
A STUDENT who died from carbon monoxide fumes from a gas boiler as she slept in her digs was unlawfully killed, an inquest jury decided yesterday. Anne Brennan, 19. was

found dead in her bedsit directly above the basement room where the boiler had been kept running by Graham Williams, the landlord, despite twice being condemned by British Gas engineers. Geoffrey Burt, the Durham Coroner, accused Mr Wiliams of a "cavalier" attitude towards safety and maintenance regulations.

The inquest had heard that olice investigating the death in the house she shared with eight other students in Durham found gaps in the floor-boards of Miss Brennan's room. Other occupants had complained to Mr Williams about fumes, and on the day she died one student was overcome and taken to hospital.

Health and Safety officials said Mr Williams had ignored two prohibition notices and other advice on ventilation in the property where Miss Brennan, a second-year English student at Durham University, died last October. It had been shutdown by technicians only to be discovered running again later.

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# Golfers play with spy in the sky

By NICK NUTTALL, TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

CADDIES and their legendary advice are at risk from a course tipster with a somewhat wider view. Satellite navigation systems are being introduced to Britain as golf-

While many players might prefer the camaraderie of the traditional caddic with his local knowledge and distance gauging skills, players in the United States are already putting their faith in carts with computerised, colour displays that resemble aircraft cockpits. The system pinpoints the location of the cart and the golfer before calculating the distance to the hole and recommending the appropriate club. Trimble Navi-

gation, which makes the devices based in Hook. Hampshire, said yesterday that the system also delivers tips on how to play the shot and the location of hazards. The aids are being tested on

British links this summer. Peter Range, a spokesman for the company, pointed out another advantage: Clubs want to use it to monitor slow play. If a cart has been out four hours and is only on the 12th hole, you can send a

Signals from 24 US military spacecraft are picked up by receivers which work out the location of the buggy relative to the clubhouse, to an accuracy of several centimetres.

David Rickman, rule secretary of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club in St Andrews, and the sport's governing body. said that the devices were not in line with rule 14-3, barring artificial devices and unusual equipment: "Unless the rules are abided by, a person is not really playing a round of

Mr Range did not expect golfers to try to break rules during competitions, but said: "They can use satellite navigation systems and get measurements in advance of the

It does not make a golfer more talented, of course. So the next development is for satellites to pinpoint lost balls.

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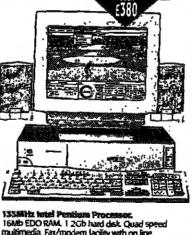
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# Football followers set big test for transport

TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

RAIL and ferry companies will today put to the test up to two years of planning for Euro 96 as the first wave of an estimated 500,000 for-

eign fans arrives in England. Security at Channel ports and the Eurotunnel terminal at Folkestone was being stepped up. All 2,150 British Transport Police officers and staff will be on duty throughout the three-week tournament. Hundreds of coaches from supporters clubs

from as far away as Croatia will at the bar. "The whole policy is to disgorge from ferries and Le Shuttle stop any trouble happening in the disgorge from ferries and Le Shuttle trains on to the roads of Kent, bound for the stadiums of the Midlands and the North.

The main ferry operators are demanding a £500 good behaviour" bond from each coach and are avoiding taking bookings on the same ferry from supporters clubs from different countries to avoid national clashes. The bookings are also being concentrated on the 75minute Calais to Dover crossing to

first place," said a spokesman for P&O European Ferries.

If drunken supporters get out of control, the ship's crew will restrain them in secure metal cages used for storing duty free goods below the car deck goods, the spokesman said. Plastic handcuffs are not carried on

Rail operators will be laying on dozens of extra services to cope with the movement of one and a half million spectators expected at the

matches. Information on ticket sales from the Foorball Association has helped to identify the largest movements of specatators, a BR spokesman said.

"For example, there is a huge contingent of Italian supporters living in Buckinghamshire, where there was an Italian prisoner-of-war camp during the war. We have made sure that all trains serving the Italian games in Liverpool and Manchester will stop at Milton Keynes to allow the supporters to use connecting trains from places

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manned halt of Alsager - the closest station to the Italian team training ground outside Stoke -- is also expected to be the focus of intense Latin interest.

Eight major stations - London Euston, Birmingham New Street, Manchester Picadilly, Leeds City, Liverpool Lime Street, Nottingham, Newcastle and Sheffield - will stay open all night on match days. Staff will turn a blind eye to fans "dossing" on the concourses, Mr Marshall said. On trains serving

told to waive penalties for fans without tickets. "What we are trying to do is make things as user-friendly as possible to take out of the equation situations that tend to lead to trouble," he said. "If we have to have bans on alcohol we will, but we really don't want to inconvenience our other non-football passengers. The main aim is to prevent trouble by stopping fans taking alcohol on to the trains in the first place."

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### Referees put their faith in a Tornado

By Russell Jenkins

TRADITIONALISTS may swear by the Acme Thunderer but the world's top referees are likely to be blowing the more sophisticated Acme Tornado histle during Euro 96.

Its high-pitched tone, created by three harmonically tuned chambers rather than the traditional pea, is capable of cutting through the noisiest supporters' chants to deliver its sharp message to players.
Gazza and his team-mates

will be dancing to its 110decibel tune during the tournament. That is good news for its Birmingham-based manufacturer, J. Hudson and Co, and its 53 employees.

The company, which pro-duces four million whistles every year for 137 countries, has been the world market leader since 1870 when its founder, Joseph Hudson, sold the idea of the penny whistle to the police.

From patrolling Victorian London to controlling soccer matches was a short step. Within eight years Hudson had persuaded the referee in a Nottingham Forest game that it was better to blow a whistle than to wave his hanky.

Legend has it that Hudson struck upon the ideal tone for his whistle as he played the violin in his back-to-back in the Ladywell district of Birmingham.

The violin fell from his grasp and hit the floor, breaking the strings and letting forth a dying breath from the bowels" of the instrument. Simon Topman, the present managing director, said: "He thought, That is the sound I



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### Top writers on the family

Starting on Monday, The Times celebrates family life in modern Britain,

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# Soho declares a no-go zone for Euro 96

By RAGWALD MARTEL AND BILL FROST

THE West End of London, traditional mecca for football fans after a big game at Wembley, was battening the hatches last night and preparing to repel all Euro 96

The prospect of a cash register bonanza has left pub landlords, restaurateurs and even the capital's ladies of the night seriously under-whelmed. All agreed that the risk of drunken violence far outweighed any financial benefit the tournament may yield.

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Cards left by prostitutes in telephone boxes advertised their services but carried a warning in felt-tip pen: "No football fans (thank you)."

While a handful of Swiss supporters partied on mineral water at the edge of Soho's clip-joint zone, peep show barons and strip-club proprietors were briefing bouncers that football fans were not to be allowed in.

At the Revue Bar in the heart of Sobo, the huge man on the door said that the fans should look elsewhere for fun tonight. "I am not coming in myself, too much bother. But I've told my lads to keep them out - 1 don't want no violence or vomit in my club. Next week, when the Jocks come down. I am closing. So will all the other hostess bars."

The Metropolitan Police Euro 96 task force has already saturated Soho and the rest of the West End in anticipation of trouble tonight. However, the Swiss are not considered a high "violence potential" risk. "Let's face it, they are not exactly the most volatile people in the world are they." a police source said. "However, the Dutch and the Germans are a different kettle of fish altogether."

Soho's finest will make no such careful distinction. A siege mentality is already in place. Norman Balon, land-lord of the celebrated Coach and Horses pub, said: "My business booms every night and I certainly don't want that lot. It would be marvellous if for a change they stayed away from Soho."

Mr Balon, who describes himself as "London's rudest landlord", warned football supporters of any persuasion to steer clear. "I'll give them one drink if they are polite. If not, they are out - sharpish."

Noel Botham, landlord of the French House, agreed. He is operating a strict anti-football policy and has hired an extra doorman. He said he would be very pleased "not to make a penny" out of Euro 96.

The Sports Cale, just off the Haymarket, is ready to welcome fans. However, all the tables were booked two and a half months ago and bouncers are on the touchline just in case of a pitch invasion. At the Swiss Bistro, off Leicester Square, the away

fans were puzzled by the fears

their presence had aroused. One young woman draped in her national flag said that Britain was unwelcoming. Her friend sipped mineral water and agreed: "We Swiss do not get drunk and wreck bars, go to peep shows or use prostitutes. Their worry is

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TV coverage outstrips World Cup By ALEXANDRA FREAN Jimmy Hill against ITV's Bob Wilson, Brian Moore AND JOHN GOODBODY and Ron Atkinson.

THE televising of Euro 96 will be the biggest outside broadcast for domestic television in more than a decade. The championship will be televised in 194 countries, six

more than took coverage of the 1994 World Cup in the United States. In Britain the tournament will receive more than 100 hours of terrestrial television coverage. The rat-ings battle will pitch the BBC's team of Desmond Lynam. John Motson and

Swiss fans in Leicester Square yesterday. They accused Britain of being unwelcoming to foreign supporters

ITV has also signed the unlikely double act of Alex Ferguson. manager of Manchester United, and Kevin Keegan, manager of Newcastle United, to provide analysis. Other members of team include Glenn Hoddle. John Barnes, Jack Charlton and Ian St John.

The BBC's most exotic signing is Roud Gullit. Chelsea's player-manager who used to inspire the Dutch. Gary Lineker will make his debut as a main television presenter. Other members of the BBC squad include the commentator Barry Davies and David Pleat, the Sheffield Wednesday manager.

Although the two channels are alternating their coverage of matches in the early stages of the competition, they will be going head-to-head later on. They will be cooperating, however, as the host broadcasters for the rest of the world, providing the television facilities and personnel to help 4.000 foreign commentators and technical

staff. There will be a minimum of 17 cameras at each of the eight grounds staging matches to meet the increasingly sophisticated demands of television viewers.

The BBC has been accused of being anti-patriotic in choosing Beethoven's Ode to Joy as its theme tune. In a neat twist, the German broadcaster ZDF has chosen Don't Look Back In Anger by the football-loving Britpop band from Manchester, Oasis, to herald its coverage. ITV is playing it safe with Sir Hubert Parry's Jerusalem.



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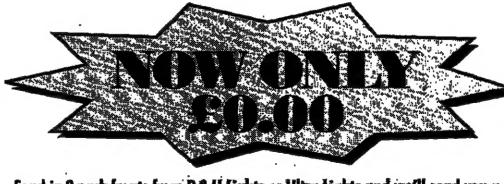
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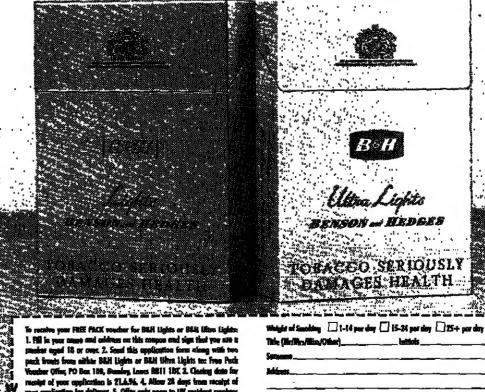
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# Cliff rescue helicopter hovers 10ft from gorge

BY EMMA WILKINS

AN RAF helicopter crew rescued a woman from deep inside Cheddar Gorge after the pilot flew within feet of the cliff face in darkness. In a three-hour mission Flight Lieutenant Mark Dennis. 35, flew 100ft down into the gorge and held his position with the tip of the craft's blades just 10ft

from the side.

As the helicopter hovered, an RAF winchman was lowered 200ft down - close to the maximum winch extension of 250ft - to pull the 22-year-old woman to safety.

The scene of the rescue was illuminated by the search-lights of a police helicopter. which held its position above the RAF Sea King.

"It was a very difficult operation," said Flight Lieutenant Dennis, from Brighton. "The gorge is very narrow and steep-sided and we usually keep well away from it. Normally in helicopter rescues we have the sea on one side but this time we were in a totally

confined space.
"I kept a close watch out of the right side of the helicopter and the other pilot out of the left as the rotor blades were just 10ft from the cliff sides.

"It was unusual to have another aircraft working alongside but it was a great success," he added.

The rescue began just after 9pm on Thursday when a woman telephoned Avon and Somerset police to say a woman had fallen down the cliff face. Officers called to the scene were able to hear the woman shouting but could not

see her because it was dark. A police helicopter with thermal-imaging equipment was sent to the gorge where the crew located the woman. The helicopter does not have a winch so the Sea King was

called from RAF Chivenor. Volunteers from the Avon and Cheddar cliff rescue team scrambled down the cliff to a ledge, which they used as a base to help to direct operations. It was impossible to lift the woman up the cliff face because she was suffering from a broken arm and fractured ribs.

A spokesman for Avon and Somerset police said: "It was a complex operation because it was at night and the helicopter had to fly close to the cliffs.

"It can be quite tricky having two helicopters hovering in tandem. The operation relied very much on the skill of the pilots."

The woman, who has not been named, was flown to Frenchay Hospital. Bristol. where she was in a satisfactory condition yesterday.

☐ Passengers were evacuated from a Laker Airways DC10 bound for Orlando, Florida, yesterday when flames shot from the exhaust of a rear igine as it was preparing to take off from Manchester.

The aircraft was being pushed back from its stand when the incident happened. The flames were seen by the pilot of an Air Canada jet, who alerted air traffic control. But the Laker pilot had already activated his automatic fire extinguishers.

The DCIO was then towed away from the main airport building and the 72 passengers were taken off. Airport officials insisted it was not an emergency evacuation.

A Laker spokesman said: "As one of the wing engines was being started, a dollop of unburnt fuel went through and the vapour was ignited. The fire would have burnt itself out and there was no danger to aircraft or passengers."



Doreen Hayes waits for the verdict during the inspection by councillors yesterday. They chose to ignore advice that it should be destroyed

# Garden in a bog survives planners' wrath

By Russell Jenkins

A WOMAN who spent ten years transforming an acre of bog land into a showpiece garden won her battle to prevent it from being ploughed back

into farmland yesterday.

Doreen Hayes, 60, was told by East
Devon council that she had breached regulations when she cultivated the

garden in Branscombe without planning permission.

After a lengthy site visit, councillors granted permission for the change of use by five votes to one on condition that she does not develop it any further. Ms Hayes, who had sobbed throughout the debate, said: "I am overjoyed it has gone through. I am quite happy with the condition they

have imposed because I never intended to do anything more."

The garden contains thousands of flowers, four ponds, wildfowl and doves. The controversy arose when an occasional resident complained to the council that the garden had been developed on a plot still classed as agricultural land.

Ms Hayes, a former air hostess.

claimed that the authority knew about her project soon after she bought the land. "A man from East Devon council came along to have a look, but did not mention planning permission," she said.

She applied for planning permission after the complaint but officials recommended refusal, saying the garden was an intrusive feature.

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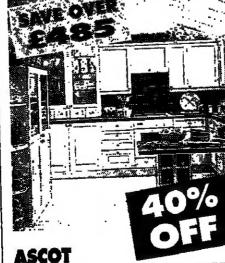


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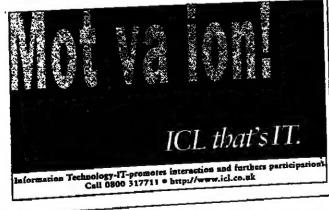
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# Teachers and MPs attack Blair's school reforms

By JILL SHERMAN AND DAVID CHARTER

TONY BLAIR provoked a made by head teachers and unions and leftwing MPs yesterday after declaring that a Labour government would abolish mixed-ability teaching in comprehensive schools.

in a speech in Oxfordshire Mr Blair outlined his vision of a reformed comprehensive education where children of similar ability would be taught in sets for specific subjects. But head teachers said that schools would resist pressure from a Labour government to force more group-

ing of children by ability.
The Secondary Heads Association said comprehensive schools already used ability sets where it was felt beneficial and practical.

John Dunford, president of the association, predicted that schools would ignore the imposition of more setting. He said: "It is a total nonsense that the Labour Party should try to tell us how to organise our schools. We don't want to be told by either John Major or Tony Blair how to organise our schools internally. It has to be a professional decision

governors based on local circumstances."

At present several schools divide children into sets for mathematics, science and modern. languages. particularly for older pupils.

But Mr Blair said setting

should be extended to subjects such as history and English. which are less easy to measure, and should be introduced at an earlier age. His aides argued that setting should be applied across the board where possible, with the exception of subjects such as physical education.

In his speech at Didcot Girls School. Mr Blair reaffirmed Labour's commitment to the comprehensive system but argued that standards could only be improved by ditching mixed-ability teaching. "Not to take account of the obvious common sense that different children move at different speeds and have differing abilities is to give idealism a

"The modernisation of the comprehensive principle re-quires that all pupils are proach. In small schools and

encouraged to progress as far and as fast as they are able. Grouping children according to ability can be an important way of making that happen."

was not advocating a return to the II-plus system but he angered teachers and unions by suggesting that a Labour government would take steps to ensure that setting was increased in the state system. Mr Blair indicated that that could be done by a number of "policy levers".

These included financial incentives, a more rigorous inspection procedure, changes in the national curriculum and by using Labour's new teaching grade, the Advanced Skills Teacher, to promote "a third way between the limitations of the II-plus and mixedability teaching".

Doug McAvoy, general secretary of the National Union

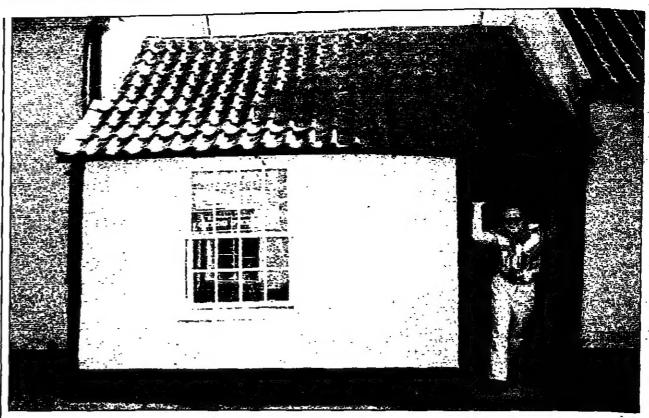
of Teachers, welcomed Mr Blair's commitment to comprehensive education but added: "High expectations of all pupils could be undermined

many primary schools, teachers must teach a wide range of abilities. They have no choice. Resources permit no other approach.

Labour leftwingers also expressed their concern about the latest move. Alan Simpson, secretary of the leftwing Campaign group, said: "I think it would be foolish to lurch from mixed-ability teaching to across-the-board setting." He believed that less bright children could be disadvantaged and urged Labour to spend more to help them.

One leftwinger argued that Mr Blair's latest speech was a loyalty test" designed to see how far the party could be pushed to the Right. I am in utter despair. There is now little distinction between us and the Conservatives." he

In his speech Mr Blair said: \*Comprehensive schools have not yet, in Harold Wilson's words, universalised what was good about grammar schools: high standards and a ladder up for bright children from poor families or deprived hackerounds."



Nick Corke stands at the doorway of a cottage, smaller than many people's living rooms, that he has sold for £30.000 (Russell Jenkins writes). The timber-framed Saddlemakers Cottage, for which the term bijou might have been coined, is in the

Suffolk village of Fram-lingham. It consists of a 9ft by

### Window on the world

room. kitchenette and loft conversion big enough for a small person and mattress. It has a single window. Mr Corke is a builder who, at 6ft Sin, stands more than a foot taller than the front door.

The cottage, along one of the village's most popular streets, has been a cobblers, antique shop and boutique and saddiers. Less appealingly, the spot was once a dumping ground for chamber pots. Mr Corke, 39, acknowledged it would not suit a family. While it might not be every-one's cup of tea, it is a one off.

It would make a wonderful bachelor pad," he said. Pat Dorey, of Abbotts, the estate agent handling the sale, said: "It is very sweet, just like a little nest." The new owner, who has a girlfriend living

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### Ministers accused of cynical tactics on disabled vote

By ALICE THOMSON, POLITICAL REPORTER

BACKBENCHERS on both sides of the House accused ministers last night of using cynical and manipulative tactics to try to avoid a defeat in the Commons over the disabled next week.

Labour and Tory backbenchers are furious that the Government is trying to scupper a vote on whether disabled people over 65 should receive a special cash grant. They have appealed to the Prime Minister as a former Minister for the Disabled, because Monday, the date for the vote on the Community Care (Direct Payments) Bill, will see the Commons heavily depleted.

The Ulster Unionists will be attending the first day's proceedings of the new Northern Ireland forum and Scottish MPs will be at the Scottish Grand Committee meeting in Scotland.

the Bill allows local authorities to make direct payments to disabled people who accept them in lieu of community care services. But people over 65, about 650,000,

have been excluded. Several Tory MPs have privately said they will rebel and one Tory MP, Sir Andrew Bowden, the chairman of the all-party parliamentary pensioners group, has publicly

said he will vote against the Government unless it offers to remove the age barrier in 12

The Government has already been defeated on excluding those with HIV and learning difficulties. But although Mr Major only has a majority of one, he should just scrape through if the Labour Sconish MPs are away.

Stephen Dorrell, the Health Secretary, is thought to be the stumbling block to a change. He has been told by civil servants that, if the over 65s were allowed to join the scheme, local authorities would be swamped with applications. Age Concern, among others, rejects this.

Alf Morris, who was the first Minister for the Disabled for Labour, has written to Mr Major asking him to act. This is a blatant act of discrimina-

"If Northern Ireland MPs and Scottish MPs could be present at this division, there is little doubt that the Government would be defeated. What is happening now would make Machiavelli and Tammany

Hall deeply ashamed." Downing Street said last night it was considering its reply to the letter.



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# Birt promises to lead BBC into the next millennium

By Alexandra Frean, media correspondent

JOHN BIRT, the BBC Director-General, announced yesterday that he is to stay at the corporation until 2000, quashing speculation that he might leave at the end of his five-year contract next year.

Mr Birt was unveiling a reorganisation of the BBC that will fully separate pro-gramme-making from its broadcasting role. He also announced a series of senior management changes.

Matthew Bannister, the controller of Radio I. will become director of radio, in charge of all the BBC's radio output and filling the shoes of Liz Forgan, who resigned as managing director of network radio in April. Mr Bannister, who has successfully modernised Radio 1's "Smashie and Nicey" image of dated DJs, will combine his new role with

his existing post.

Michael Green, controller of Radio 4, is to leave the BBC. Mr Green oversaw a number of hotly debated changes at Radio 4, including moving Woman's Hour to the mornings and introducing Anderson Country, which was dropped after a wave of protests. He said yesterday that he had wanted to leave the BBC for some months, but had agreed to stand in for Ms

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Forgan.

Mr Birt, at present earning £265,000 a year, said he was

honoured to continue leading the BBC into 2000, but would not reveal how much he would be paid for the task. He said that the restructuring was intended to streamline the corporation and help it to reduce costs by 20 per cent over five years. There were

Mr Birt added that the changes, which also include the creation of a single nat-ional and international news operation, would help the BBC to meet the challenge of introducing digital broadcasting.

bound to be job losses.

He conceded, however, that the changes would represent a second big upheaval at the BBC, which introduced

Jocelyn Hay of the consumer group, the Voice of the Listener and Viewer, said she was concerned that radio would no longer be represented individually on the BBC's top decision-making board.
This diminishes the rights of the radio audience. There is also a concern about the increasing emphasis on the commercial viability of programmes," she said. John Tusa, former head of the BBC World Service and

worried about the way the restructuring appeared to bring World Service radio more closely under the respon-

sweeping management re-

future of Alan Yentob, control-

or director of programmes.

downgrading its status.

now managing director of the

Barbican centre, said he was

rector of BBC Television, will



John Birt, right, with BBC executives, introducing the reforms yesterday

# Family tells how Glyn Worsnip joked to the end

FRIENDS and colleagues of the former That's Life presenter Glyn Worsnip paid tribute yesterday after his death from a crippling brain disease. Worsnip, 57, spent nine years hattling against cerebellar ataxia, which had cut short his career by affecting his movement and speech.

Esther Rantzen, who worked with him on the BBC television consumer pro-gramme, said: "All Glyn's friends will treasure their memories of his brilliance and his enduring courage."
Radio provided an outlet for

his talents in the early days of his illness. When he found all broadcasting impossible, he turned to programme research, wrote his autobiogra-phy, Up the Down Escalator, and had a newspaper column, In 1991, when he was wheelchair-bound, he moved into a home for the disabled after he felt he had become a burden on Jo and Elinor, his wife and

Mrs Worsnip and his friend David Goodland were at his bedside when he died. His brother Hugh said: "He kept on laughing and joking right to the end. He could hardly speak but he was still trying to

"He did complain from time to time and in his darkest moments he talked about ending it all. But he always clung on to life because he enjoyed it so much. He was an astonishingly courageous man and that is how everyone will



Worsnip: TV career cut short by brain disease

remember him," Rantzen, who worked with Worsnip for the eight years after he joined That's Life in 1976, said that he was one of the programme's most popular presenters. "His sharp sense of humour, wicked ear for mimicry and enormous charm delighted our

"One of his last programmes was a deeply moving and illuminating edition of Horizon about the ignorance surrounding illnesses like his affecting the brain."

She first met him when she was at Oxford University: "I brought him into That's Life because I knew his talent and I loved his company.

"His picture is on my office wall. My thoughts and deep-est sympathies are with his

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# Dean casts light on royal Christmas

BY EMMA WILKINS AND JOHN VINCENT

A LETTER revealing the unique strains of being a guest at a royal house party in the 1920s is to be auctioned next week.

The Dean of St Albans, the Very Rev Edward Henderson, was staying with George V and Queen Mary at Sandringham for Christmas in 1927 when he wrote home to his wife Sybyl. His main worries were that the Queen would find his sermon boring and that he should remember how to pronounce Ma'am, to rhyme with jam.

The letter begins with an account of a tea party at which Princess Elizabeth. then 20 months, impressed with her good manners. "Tea in the hall. The Oucen

poured out and just when we had finished in came Princess Elizabeth. really charming indeed, and the King played with her all the time. She isn't spoilt one little bit, but sits up in her chair as straight as a die. The Queen smokes after every meal. It's all too killing and I am still finding it hard to believe I shan't

(sic) wake up somewhere else. "I've signed the K's and Q's visitors' book without making blots or writing in the wrong place, and I didn't cut myself shaving this morning - my word. I was careful ... We had Evensong and Carols and I had to sit in the front pew with the O but I am beyond feeling now, and say yes MAM and no MAM and you pro-nounce it just like that and don't forget it." Queen Mary had forgotten to take any pennies for the collection and had to borrow some from a lady-in-waiting. The Queen didn't know there was a collection and hadn't taken any money! Horror! Fortunately I had some as Lady Katherine was stung too."

The dean was given a doll by the

Queen for his six-year-old daughter Jo, which is being sold with the letter by Phillips in Edinburgh. His daughter, now Mrs Richardson, 75. remembers writing a thank-you letter beginning "Dear Queen". She said: "The doll itself is a portly little thing, not really very interesting. But it came from the Queen

The doll, made by Simon and Halbig. has a brown mohair wig and brown eyes. It and the letter are expected to fetch £250.

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THE senior police officer who rejected a call to withdraw Thomas Hamilton's firearms certificate defended his decision yesterday at Dunblane massacre inquiry. John Millar, a former detec-

tive superintendent, said that he believed one of his juniors had exaggerated when describing Hamilton as a scheming, devious and deceitful man who should not be trusted

with guns. Mr Millar, 57, attached a handwritten memo to Detec-tive Sergeant Paul Hughes's report, made five years before the killings, saying that he ing the certificate. He said the final decision was taken by his superior, Deputy Chief Con-stable Douglas McMurdo, now Assistant Chief Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland.

Mr Millar, who is retired, told the inquiry at Stirling that Hamilton could still have committed the murders if the decision had been different. "If his certificate had been refused and the guns taken away from him, and he still felt the way he did at the time of the terrible tragedy, there is no doubt in my mind that he could still have got possession

In 1991 Sergeant Hughes, a



Millar: thought officer's warning "exaggerated"

tigated parents' allegations of assault, lack of supervision and improper photographs at one of Hamilton's summer camps. The detective suspected the youth club leader was a paedophile with latent violent tendencies. Mr Millar told the inquiry that there was no mention of guns in the complaints against Hamilton. had often been

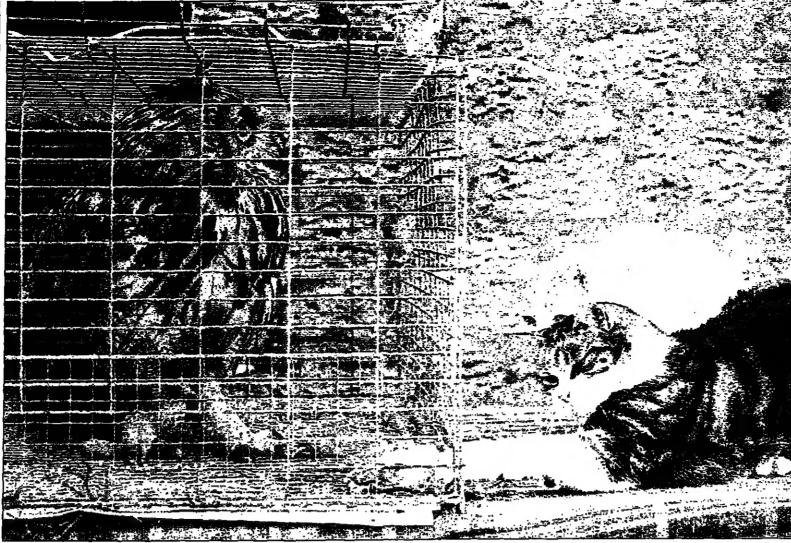
described as an oddball and there was innuendo that he had a particular liking for young boys, but there had been no proceedings against him because there was not sufficient evidence," he said. Mr Millar, who had not met Hamilton, thought that "the wording from Sergeant Hughes possibly was exagger-ated from the evidence that he

Laura Dunlop, counsel for the families, asked if he had thought about preventive measures. "In hindsight there possibly should have been. There was not at the time," he

The inquiry was shown video clips of boys exercising at Hamilton's youth clubs and summer camps. Public tele-vision monitors in the hall were turned off and the excerpts were seen only by Lord Cullen, chairman of the inquiry, and lawyers. The sound was switched off to avoid distress to relatives.

One clip showed a ten-yearold blond boy in red shorts. naked from the waist up. performing strenuous exercises. He was filmed from different angles. Other scenes showed boys performing head-over-heels rolls.

A mother said that she reported Hamilton to police and local education authorities in 1991 after he gave her a video of his camps. She was disturbed to see the camera panning along a row of boys wearing shorts and back again. She found the video "questionable", passed it to police and withdrew her son



The owl and the pussycats: Robin disdainfully ignores attempts to grab the leftover chicken: below, Sergeant Bell and his prize catch

# Roast chicken dinner lures eagle owl into garden trap

By A STAFF REPORTER

AN ESCAPED and hungry eagle owl which had been swooping on the residents of a town in Co Durham has finally been trapped by the dedication of a housewife and police wildlife expert.

The female owi, with a 6ft wingspan, had the people of Shotley Bridge scrambling for cover as it plunged from the night sky with its talons outstretched. Three residents had clothes torn as the owl, which they nicknamed Robin, tried to land on them and several vowed not to take their

dogs out at night.
But police wildlife experts assured people there was no need for panic, emphasising that the owl was probably hungry. The bird had been ignoring staple eagle owl food such as dead chickens and

rabbits and has been pinching bacon butties and even freshly roasted chickens. It was finally trapped by a

square-framed net built by Sergeant Eddie Bell and Eliz-abeth Geddes, a householder. They leant it at an angle to the ground, baited with a roast chicken. A piece of string, held by Mrs Geddes from her bedroom, was attached to the top of the frame. Sergeant Bell and Mrs Ged-

des waited an hour and a half for the familiar beating of mighty wings before the sereant's patience ran out. Only Mrs Geddes witnessed the moment Robin was snared. For Sergeant Bell, the Durham force's wildlife liaison

said: "After the swan and

golden eagle it's probably the biggest bird you'll see in Britain. One or two people have been left marked with a few scratches. I'm sure its intentions are well-meaning. but it weighs about 7lb and if it hits you with its talons at a speed of 40mph then it will leave a scratch or two.

"The locals have grown very fond of her. They loved to see her circling the rooftops. I will keep hold of her until an owner comes forward. If that doesn't happen she will be well looked after at my home. I must hand it to Elizabeth, she showed great determination. Thanks to her Robin is safe and won't go hungry."
The eagle owl's usual habi-

officer, catching the bird be-came a personal mission. He tat is northern Europe. Robin must have escaped from a



### NEWSKE Bailiffs net Charlton • the angler

Jack Charlton is to be prosecuted for fishing without a £15 rod licence, the Environment Agency confirmed yesterday. Mr Charlton, 60, was challenged by water bailiffs during his first outing of the fishing season at Whittle Dene reservoir, near his home in Northumberland. The case is: due to go before Hexham magistrates on June 25. Mr Charlton, who has since bought a licence, has said that he will plead guilty by letter.

### Titanic order

Welin Lambie, the West Midlands engineering firm that made the lifeboat-launching equipment on the Titanic, has received a £250,000 order for identical cast-iron davits, to be used in a Hollywood film about the disaster.

### Trains collide

Four people were slightly injured when two trains collided at Newcastle upon Tyne Central Station. Both trains were travelling at less than 20mph and neither was damaged. Rail services were disrupted until the afternoon.

### Worker crushed

neer. Colin Buckland, 47, was crushed under a five-ton machine, which he was trying to dismantle himself to save costs, an Oxford inquest was told. Verdict: accident.

### Conran divorce

The 33-year marriage of the designer Sir Terence Conran, 64, and Caroline, 56, a journalist, was ended in the London divorce courts. Lady Conran was granted an uncontested

### Fire strikes off

Essex fire crews called off three nine-hour strikes over-E1.3 million budget cuts. The first had been due on Monday. The county council has offered to recruit 40 more firefighters this year at a cost of £600,000.

### Beds of nails

Council gardeners in Bournemouth have been forced to nail plant roots into the ground to stop an outbreak of shrub thefts in the resort's parks. One flowerbed was cleared of

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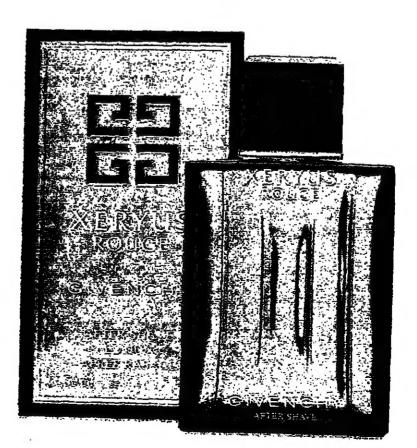
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# Carey's evangelical adviser once gave his wife a black eye

By RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

THE senior evangelical advis-er to the Archbishop of Canterbury once had a violent relationship with his wife, it has been disclosed. At one point, the marriage of Canon Michael Green became so heated that he suffered a broken tooth and Rosemary Green went to a vestry meet-

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The couple, who are close friends of Dr George Carey and his wife, sought counselling because they knew that a divorce would end Canon Green's credibility as an evangelist. Their marriage had since been "gloriously sorted out", he said.

In the latest issue of the Anglican Journal, the newspaper of the Anglican Church of Canada, where Canon Green taught for five years, the couple describe how their marriage appeared likely to disintegrate under the pressures of work. He said that his regular overseas tours when rector of St Aldate's, Oxford, in the late 1970s distanced him from his wife, who had "a very violent temper".

They were married in 1957. the year he was ordained, and their first three years were good. That changed after the birth of their first child and his transfer to the London College

of Divinity, now St John's College in Nottingham.

When he was at St Aldate's. where he achieved near-cult status among student Christians, the couple experienced a period of considerable difficulty". Canon Green, who was at a conference with his wife in Lancashire yesterday, said: There was violence there. It would be precipitated. I would not initiate it, but I would respond to it. It doesn't fill me

### Why Worlock was told to go

Derek Worlock was once ordered out of Lambeth Pal-ace by an Archbishop of Canterbury with the words: "Get out of here! You Roman Catholics have no rights here." The junior priest who was to become Archbishop of Liverpool, and who died in February, had upset the Most Rev Geoffrey Fisher, archbishop for 1945-1961, by bringing an "unwelcome message" from his Catholic counterpart. Dr George Carey, the present Archbishop of Canterbury, told the story yesterday at a conference to illustrate the "magnificent strides" in ecumenism since then.

with any sense of pride at all. I shouldn't have done that."

Mrs Green, 64, whose pastoral skills are highly regarded in the Church, said her first year at Oxford was hard and she lelt an explosion of anger towards her husband. Friends encouraged them to seek counselling and she ac-cepted that her attitude of "because I've been hurt, I have a right to be angry" was not healthy. She recalled the time

as "pushing away a heavy black lid so the Holy Spirit could go deep down into the past hurts and, painful though it was, bring healing", In 1987 they moved to Vancouver for five years, and in 1992 were invited back to England by Dr Carey to head his evangelism initiative, Springboard, with the Right

Rev Michael Marshall. In an interview with the Church Times, Canon Green said that he and his wife were stronger for their experience. "If anyone thinks we have a dodgy marriage now, they don't know us." He said their marital difficulties became public when Mrs Green mentioned them during a course she was leading in Canada.

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Anne Peat, one of the three women among the 30 preachers on the shortlist

## Shortlist chosen from more than 250 preachers

By RUTH GLEDHILL

THIRTY preachers, including three women and one Salvation Army captain, have been shortlisted for the second Preacher of the Year award, organised by the College of Preachers and sponsored by The Times.

The preachers, chosen from more than 250 entries, also include six lay preachers. The 30 semi-finalists are of a wider ecumenical mix than last year, although most are again male Anglican clergy. Four of those shortlisted — the Rev William Alford, the

Rev Alex Gunn, Ian Knox and Canon John Young - were shortlisted last year. Over the summer the 30 will be visited in their churches and chapels by judges, Five finalists will

be announced in Sentember, to take part in the final of the contest at Southwark Cathedral, London, on Wednesday, October 30, when entry will be free to all. The 30 shortlisted sermons

will be published in The Times Book of Best Sermons (Cassell) and the winner will receive a specially commissiomed sculpture of a dove. representing the Holy Spirit.

The 30 finalists are:

The Rev William Alford, Armagh: Fr Bill Anderson. Aberdeen; the Rev Mark Ashcroft, Manchester: Dr

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Alan Billings. Kendal, Cumbria; the Rev Mark Bratton. W Ealing, London; the Rev Chris Burkett, Northwich, Cheshire: Canon Nicholas Bury, Broadstairs, Kent; the Rev John Cook, Edinburgh; the Rev David Dickinson, Northwood, London; the Rev Richard Freeman, Eynsford, Kent: the Rev Alex Gunn, Aberfeldy, Tayside; the Rev David Heywood, Warling ham. Surrey: the Rev Jean Holyhead. High Wycombe.

Bucks: Margaret Holyoake, Halesowen, W Midlands: Stuart Jenkins. Cheadle Hulme; Dr Arnold Kellett. Knaresborough, N Yorks: lan Knox. Coventry; Peter Mark, Penarth, S Glam: the Rev David McLachlan, Elders-

lie, Strathclyde: Dr Michael Morphy, Luddenden, W Yorks: Anne Peat. Rickmansworth. Herts: Michael Pritchard, Purley, Surrey: Capt Graham Rogerson, Middlesbrough; the Rev Justyn Terry. Hyde Park, London; the Rev Bernard Thomas, Maesteg, Mid Glam: the Rev John Thompson, Dore, Sheffield; the Rev Frank Tozer. Eastbourne; the Rev C.R. Williamson, Aberdalgie, Tayside: Canon Ronald Wynne, Minchinhampton. Glos: Canon

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## The joy of helping others to succeed

Clive Calver

THE disciples of Jesus once argued heatedly over which one of them would be the greatest. In reply, Jesus made the outrageous claim that "he who is the least among you he is the greatest" (Luke ix.

The statement remains astonishing today. In our climate of ferocious competition. whether in the Olympic stadium or the boardroom, we are teaching our generation how to be winners. Should England fans witness their team losing to the Swiss this afternoon, is there a remote chance that they might feel some pleasure at the success of a nation to whom we passed the

The suggestion that we can succeed and find fulfilment through the progress and achievement of others is anathema in our culture of individualism. To rejoice in the accomplishments of someone else involves that most testing of Christian disci-loving our neigh-

bour as ourselves. Amid the cut-throat competition of the workplace, how many of us celebrate and take pride when colleagues to whom we have passed skills suddenly surpass our own achievements? To be confideat and secure enough to enjoy a sense of corporate fulfilment is appealing, yet so difficult to attain. A threat to self-esteem, envy and even bitterness can sour the liberation that is undoubtedly to be found in releasing others int their full potential. In the

New Testament, Barnabas, the leader of the disciples in Jerusalem - whose name means 'son of encouragement' - typifies the potent selflessness that Christ seeks from his followers.

When the recently converted Paul arrived in the city, he was shunned by disciples who were mistrustful of the former tyrant. Barnabas stood up for Paul when no one else would. and subsequently stepped aside to let Paul assume

leadership. Later, it was Barnabas who spotted the potential in the disciple John Mark, forgave his past failure and picked him up after Paul had lost natience with him. Paul wrote up to 13 epistles and Mark contributed a gospel. But without the selflessness of Barnabas, we might have only one half of today's New

Testament Such self-sacrifice lies at the heart of the Christian message, whether it is the Catholic priest Maximilian Kolbe tak ing the place of a Jewish woman in the line-up for the gas chamber, or ourselves conveying dignity upon others by putting them first in our daily living.

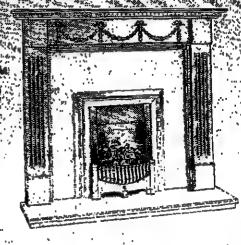
Christ calls us to exchange our self-centred life for one that is lived not in our own strength, but through His spirit in us. In so doing, we are invited to lay down our lives daily for others in the home and in the workplace. ☐ The Rev Clive Calver is the Director General of the Evangelical Alliance UK.

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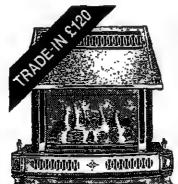
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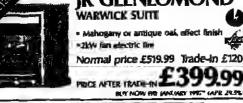


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# Relay kindles the Olympic spirit in **US** heartlands

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN BEDFORD, KENTUCKY

NEVER in Bedford's 180-year history had this tiny Kentucky town of 900, mostly fruit and tobacco farmers, received such an underground "railway" helped to send runaway slaves northwards to freedom in the 1850s had it witnessed an occasion of such magnitude.

The courthouse was freshly painted. The fire department ners draped from every build-ing. A visit by state officials to discuss a new sewer system was postponed, and at the appointed hour the entire population packed into a picturesque town square ringed with television trucks.

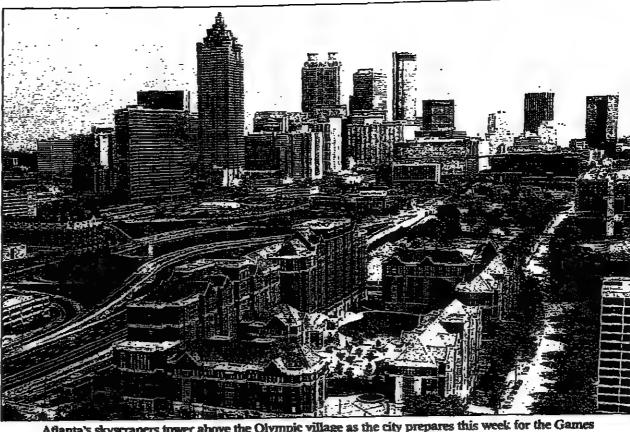
Up the old highway that linked Louisville to Cincinnati before a new Interstate made Bedford a backwater came a



motorcade of presidential pro-portions. It drove up Main Street, through Bedford's only traffic lights, and suddenly flame — borne aloft by a local lad named Kevin Layton.
The townsfolk cheered and waved their flags as he

bounded up the steps of a temporary stage and lit a an Olympic mini-cauldron. The county judge read a proclama-tion welcoming the symbolic flame to Bedford. The Olympic committee presented the town with a certificate. Bands played, schoolchildren sang, tears flowed. "It was unbeliev-able, the chance of a lifetime," Kevin said.

Then the flame was off again, preceded by umpteen police cars and trailed by a string of motorhomes for VIPs, the media, an emergency medical team and scores of miscellaneous officials. Every half-mile a new runner took over as the caravan processed slowly northwards through



Aflanta's skyscrapers tower above the Olympic village as the city prepares this

heartland America to a rapturous late-night welcome on Cincinnati's riverfront. In ancient Greece runners with torches were dispatched to proclaim a truce for the Games among warring city states. Two millennia later,

the organisers of July's Atlanra Olympics have transformed that simple idea into the world's biggest relay. In April the flame was flown from Greece to Los Angeles in a miner's lantern bolted for safety to the interior of a

brand-new chartered plane. A helicopter ferried it into LA's Coliseum stadium, site of the 1984 Olympics, where it began a labyrinthine 15.000 mile, 84day journey that yesterday reached its halfway stage. The relay has set America alight.

By the time the flame enters Arlanta's Olympic stadium on July 19, about 50 million Americans will have gathered at remote country junctions, lined small-town Main Streets and packed into city parks to

Gulls get taste of mankind's cruelty

FROM QUENTIN LETTS

THOUSANDS of scagulls in New England suffered ago-nised, twitching deaths after an official cuil with poison

Gulls dropped out of the sky, flopped on to rootions and flapped pathetically after eating margarine sand-wiches which had been laced with a chemical called DRC1339. Other gulls sat in their nests for up to a week while the poison destroyed their livers.

The US Fish and Wildlife Service undertook the poisoning as part of a "habitat restoration" for piping plovers and roseate terms, which vers and roseate terns, which were being overcome by gulls at the Monomoy Island refuge off Cape Cod. The plover and tern are protected under the federal Endangered Species Act.

The service was attacked byanimal rights experts. Doro-thy Checchi-O'Brien, a local protester, said: The gulls are all over the place. It is like a mini world war."

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### Dole softens line on abortion in bid to unite party

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

call for Republican unity yesterday by proposing a more tolerant approach to abortion, the issue most likely to upset his presidential hopes and split the party at its national convention in August.

He said the party's demand for a constitutional amendment banning abortion would remain unchanged, but explained that he wanted to include a "declaration of tolerance" for moderate Republicans who opposed the ban. We Republicans must

avoid the bitterness and intolerance of the Democratic Party that leads them to silence those who oppose their hardline views." said Mr Dole, who has always voted against abortion in his more than 30-year tenure in Congress. "Our convention must reflect not only our strong proregard for the opinions of

those who disagree." The first unequivocal statement on abortion, coming just days before his formal resignation from the Senate, was the most significant attempt by Mr Dole to assert leadership over his fractious party. He is eager to avert any sense of division at the San Diego convention. Pat Buchanan, the

BOB DOLE sounded a clarion conservative commentator challenge to Mr Dole in the Republican primaries earlier this year, has vowed to resist any softening of the party's platform on abortion and has promised to make a strong anti-abortion speech at the convention.

Other leading Republicans, including Governors George Pataki of New York, Christine Todd Whitman of New Jersey, who is being considered as a possible candidate for the vicepresidency, William Weld of Massachusetts and Pete Wilson of California, are all committed to a pro-choice

At the 1992 convention in

social issues such as abortion contributed to the later defeat of George Bush. Mr Dole said the Democrats, whose party error at their convention the ular Bob Casey, the former Governor of Pennsylvania.

Mr Dole is currently trail

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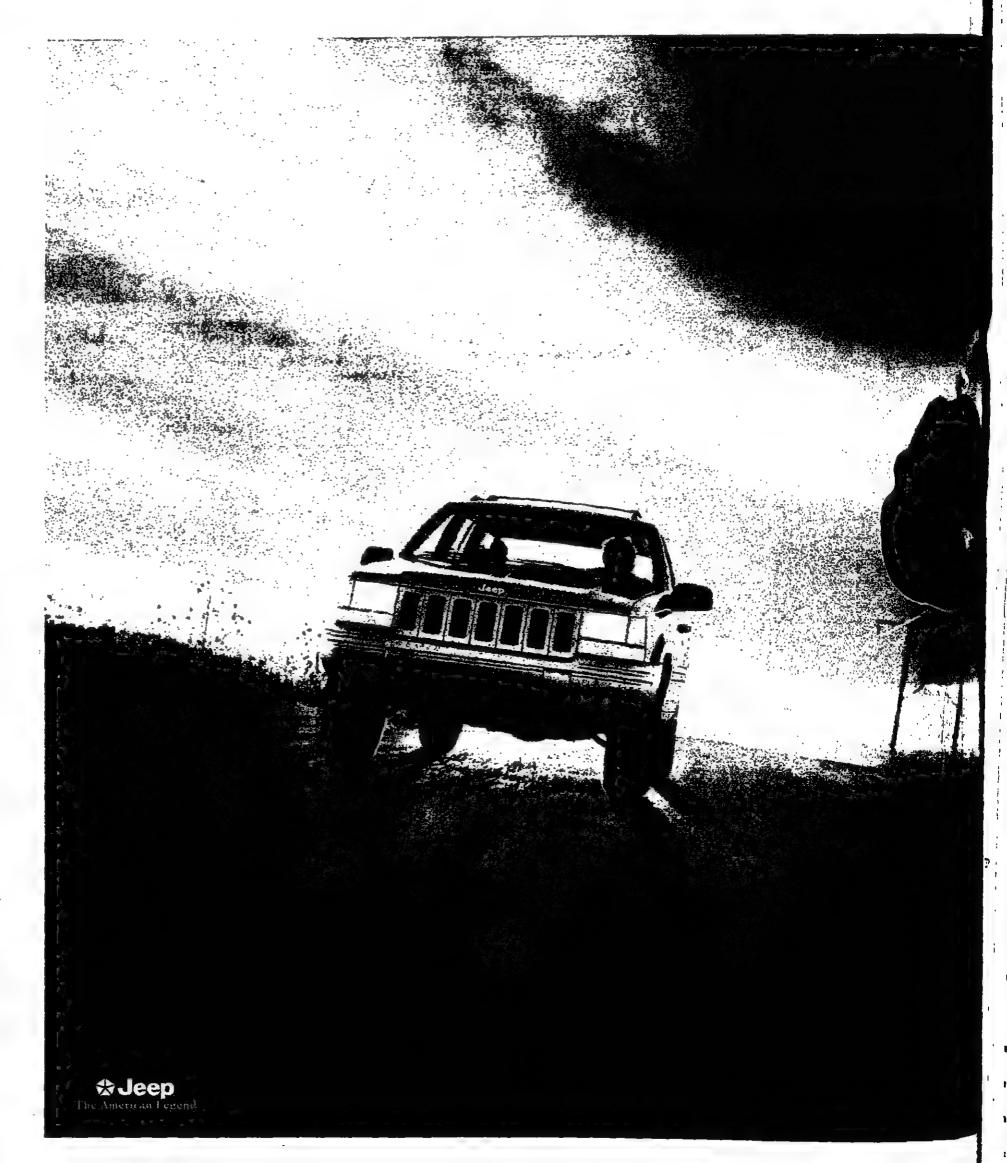
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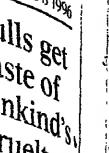
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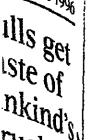
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# Overcharging by British Gas alarms watchdog

BRITISH GAS is investigating how hundreds of customers in the South West were heavily overcharged after switching to new suppliers. Some consumers claim to have been overcharged by as much as £350 in their final

Huge irregularities in bills have been revealed in Somerset, Devon and Cornwall, where 500,000 households are now able to shop around for gas, with hundreds of customers wrongly charged by direct debit. The average overcharge in cases being investigated by the Gas Consumers' Council is £160. The GCC is investigating 59 cases of over-

charging, although the central office says the problem is likely to be much bigger. British Gas has halted direct debits for customers who are leaving its supply and is going through all final account bills delivered to the 40,000 households that have switched supply. It has also found

John Kemp, of Newton Abbot, received a £500 bill, nearly ten times more than usual. He said: "I opened the bill and could not believe my eyes. I thought we must have a gas leak. My wife was just going into labour. It was absolute chaos." The problem exposes a serious breakdown in the system, raising questions about

as part of the Government's aim to establish a

competitive market in domestic gas nationwide.

At present, the alternative supplier must provide a meter reading to British Gas through British Gas Transco, the British Gas pipeline business that carries all gas. Customers are then billed by British Gas Trading, the domestic gas supply arm, based on the information received. BGT was legally obliged to issue bills on the information that reached them.

A spokesman for BGT said: "We have absolutely no way of checking the accuracy of that information, which comes from other

doorstep. We do not even know, because of the system, who the supplier is, because we are not allowed to know."

Ian Powe, director of the Gas Consumers' Council, said: "We expected teething problems in the South West but, if not nipped in the bud, this could become a serious threat to competition's reputation."

A spokesman for Ofgas, the regulator, said the problem was being monitored. "We are quite satisfied it is under control and that British Gas is dealing with it. The purpose of a trial is to identify problem areas."

# **WEEKEND**



**Anne Ashworth** on a supermarket

### **Profits leap** Water fuels Rates fall again, amid endowment





A 15.5 per cent jump in pre-tax profits to £165.6 million, a 22 per cent lift in the dividend and no cash-back to the consumer, incited the wrath of Labour. Frank Dobson, Shadow Environment Secretary. said the profits increase was further proof for Labour's case for a windfall levy".

The company is lifting the

at Southern

utilities row

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY

SOUTHERN WATER, the

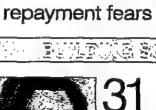
company at the centre of competing bids from Southern Electric and ScottishPower, yesterday fuelled the contro-versy over profits tnade by the

total dividend to 31.6p a share. with a 21.8p final, payable from earnings of 88.3p (77.6p). The shares rose 2p to 983p.

ScottishPower, which was outbid by Southern Electric in its move to take over Southern Water, is thought likely to rebid next week, offering about El.66 billion. ScottishPower is expected to

suggest that annual cost savings of up to £45 million can be achieved, while Southern Electric envisages savings of £50 million a year.

ed to cut more jobs with a merger because of the geographical duplication. ScottishPower has offered a 3 per cent cut in water bills starting in 1998, two years ahead of the next regulatory price review.



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Stars, dog's teeth and other ways to pick shares







After the rate cut. The prospect for savers

# Rank in \$410m Hard Rock deal

BY ALASDAIR MURRAY

THE Rank Organisation yesterday reunitedihe Hard Rock cafe empire with a \$410 million deal which ends founder Peter Morton's 25year association with the

The deal has given Rank the exclusive rights to develop the restaurant chain throughout the world, adding a further 13 fully owned and four franchised calés to Rank's existing chain of 41 restaurants: Rank said it intends to build a further seven cafés in the next

But Mr Morton will continue to own the licensing rights to the Hard Rock hotel casinos, the first of which, a \$200 million development opened recently in Las Vegas. Mr Morton is in the process of building another casino at Reno, Nevada, and said he was examining further dev-

elopment sites. Mr Morton said: "I wanted to shift my focus. The real growth is in the gaming industry and I want to expand the Hard Rock Casinos.

"Selling the Hard Rock was not really sad although I had an introspective moment. It's been good to me and given me many wonderful years."

Rank wants to return the chain to its music roots through a series of tie-in deals with the music business. The

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### company is building the first Hard Rock Live Café at the Universal City entertainment complex in Florida which will provide an auditorium for live music performances. Andrew Teare, chief executive, said that the company was also looking at setting up a niche record label and promoting Mr Teare said: "The deal is a natural extension for the business and will provide an opportunity to turn the Hard ock name into the flagship of The first Hard Rock cale opened in London exactly 25

cept of the themed restaurant. The founders, Mr Morton and Issac Tigrett, used rock memorabilia for decoration and gently pushed a hippy style

philosophy that has proved popular throughout the world. But the hippy message has disguised some bitter business battles over control of the Hard Rock name since Mr Tigrett sold his stake in the business in 1988, splitting the

Mr Morton sued the new owners, Pleasurama, in 1988 for undermining the restaurant's value and image in the market place and tried hard to buy the chain back for £75 million, after Pleasurama was taken over by Mecca in

The relationship between Rank, which inherited the chain after it bought Mecca. and Mr Morton has also been uncomfortable.

Mr Morton's side of the business made an operating profit of \$26 million on sales of \$109 million last year, while Rank's Hard Rock division made profits of \$60 million on

sales of \$231 million. Rank said added that it would be able to save costs through greater economies of scale in purchasing and mersaid it was confident the deal will be immediately earnings

enhancing.
Rank will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the chain next week with a promotion in the London restaurant at 1971



# American jobs surge unnerves markets

By Janet Bush, economics correspondent

A SURGE in job creation in America during May stoked up fear of higher inflation and ighter money in the US and hit stock and bond markets around the world yesterday. In London, the FT-SE 100

index fell 53.5 points to 3,706.8. The Labour Department reported that 348,000 jobs had been created in May, about twice as many as Wall Street economists had anticipated. The department also revised April's marginal 2,000 extra iobs into an increase of

163,000. The unemployment rate actually rose, to 5.6 per cent in May from 5.4 per cent in April, but this reflected an Committee, which next meets

increase in numbers coming into the labour market as their confidence of finding a job

President Bill Clinton said that the US economy is growing steady and strong without major inflationary fears, a view backed up by policy advisers yesterday in an attempt to reverse the adverse

market reaction. Martin Bailey, a member of the Council of Economic Advisors, said that the jobs figures were not inflationary and presented no cause for alarm.

Nevertheless, yesterday's figures sparked speculation that the Federal Open Market

on July 2 and 3, may decide to raise US interest rates. In New York, the bench-

mark 30-year Treasury bond fell nearly two full points in an immediate reaction to the news, dragging Wall Street down, too. At one point, the Dow Jones industrial average fell by more than 80 points, to 5,588, a plunge that triggered limits on programme trading on the New York Stock

Later, however, the market recovered some of its poise. At midday, the Dow Jones industrial average was quoted down 29.19 points, at 5,638.00.

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Argyle move could have repercussions for De Beers

# Largest mine quits diamond cartel

FROM RACHEL BRIDGE IN SYDNEY

THE diamond industry was thrown into turmoil yesterday when Australia's Argyle Diamonds, owner of the world's largest mine, withdrew from the powerful Central Selling Organisation.

Argyle, which is jointly owned by RTZ, will market its own diamonds, mainly through its sales office in Antwerp.

An Argyle spokesman said yesterday: We feel that we can get a better price for our diamonds and will be able to return a higher profit to our shareholders by marketing them directly." Argyle, in the

remote northwest Kimherley region of the Australian outback, produces mostly industrial and near-gen diamonds, accounting for about a third of global production. Argyle also dominates world production of the rare pink diamond which, on average, sells at 20 times the price of its white equivalent.

Argyle's move is a rebuff for De Beers, the South African mining group which has controlled the sales and marketing of most of the world's diamond production through the CSO for more than 60 years. The organisation sold \$4.5 billion worth

of rough diamonds last year. Australian analysts said yesterday that Argyle's withdrawal from the cartel could have repercussions for the way that the industry operates if other producers follow suit. Laurie Pitzgerald, mining analyst at Hartley Poynton, the Perth stockbroker, said: "It is not good news for the CSO that Argyle is going it alone."

A De Beers spokesman said: "Obvious-

ly we are disappointed. However, the Argyle production represents only 6 per cent of the CSO's annual intake and so it is not going to have a significant effect." Argyle's move marks the first attempt by

a producer to break free from the cartel since Zaire returned to the fold in 1983.

One analyst called it "a very brave move".

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# Putting distance between Europe and its rivals

t has been a good time to slip quietly out of Europe and be able to take stock of things from a far-away perspective, as I did last weekend

The need to promote strategic change at Inchcape took me to a management conference in Asia (Macau, to be precise), where so much of the company's trading interests are centred.

I left Heathrow for this eastern assignment exactly ten days after becoming President of the CBI. In that short period. I had been propelled into the position of acting as spokesman for British business in the midst of the drama erupting over the beef export ban and the Government's negotiating ractic of stonewall and stymie. The navigation of Niagara Falls in a barrel might have seemed to be a preferable challenge to the one of diving head first into CBI leadership at such a time.

This feeling was not helped by the fact that I would be returning to my first major CBI event - this

Europe" series of conferences, designed to set up a national debate and a lobby of opinion in favour of placing business priorities in the forefront of European Union development. With this to consider en route, it was fortunate, on reflection, that my principal business interest ensured that I travelled with British Airways and not another carrier, where fellow travellers might have included an

excitable England football squad.

In Asia, as indeed in North America, the view of Europe's problems seems that much clearer. The enterprise and energy of agile, fast-growing economies out East is plainly aimed at competing not just on a national or regional basis, but on a global scale. Europe — our manufacturers and service providers, on one hand; and our collective consumer market on the other - is

It becomes easy to deduce that the strategies of European business must, in turn, be geared to the achievement of an advanced level of global competitive ability; and that

a necessarily constrained national market base is woefully inadequate, in this context. The global ambitions of British business. especially, need the foundation of a single, pan-Europe market in which we can trade and invest freely without (in the words of that time-honoured British entreaty to foreigners) let or hindrance.

Asian business people worry about us and Europe. For many of them, it is we with our apparent stop/start attitude to Europe who are inscrutable. They need assur-ance that Britain will assert itself as an active, effective, integral part of Europe, because we provide their preferred gateway into the European Union, with all the very evident implications this has for new investment, employment and support services.

One of them is Chan Bae, managing director of Samsung Electronics which has relocated its European headquarters from Frankfurt to London and is investing £600 million in Britain. I have a



ing British trade sector, as chairman of London First Centre, the inward investment agency for our capital city.

Marshall

I sit up and take note when people like Mr Chan say, as he did recently: "Membership of the EU has made Britain a magnet for inward investment, attracting one third of all inward investment into the EU and, in our case, 50 per cent

was clearly speaking not just for himself, but on behalf of all overseas inward investors who flock to

The truly ironic thing about the inward investment market, as we hack our way through the evergrowing jungle of pro-Europe/ anti-Europe rhetoric, is that Britain is valued because we offer the best of both worlds. By that, I mean we provide the benefits of a sovereign state, with our own firmly focused economic policies, based on low inflation and a low cost of borrowing, along with other national attributes; while, at the same time, delivering unregulated access to the largest free trade zone on earth, as a fully-fledged partner in the EU.

This situation is something which neither commerce and industry, as represented by the CBI; nor Government, as confirmed variously by Messrs Major. Heseltine, Rifkind, Clarke and Lang: and would-be government, in the form of Messrs Blair and Ashdown, would be inclined to change. So far as I can see, this comfortable status quo is also what the majority of so-called Euro-sceptics want to maintain. What then, if a dubious pun can be

permitted, is the beef? Certainly, there are serious, obvious concerns in Europe for our farming and fishing industries. I have to say there are also concerns for our airlines, in the case of state aid and subsidy to nationalised contpetitors. Transport is still not fully deregulated; and neither is another industry in which I am involved. telecommunications. There is still too much bureaucracy in Brussels and Jacques Santer's "prefecture" must be thinned out as, indeed, he seems to acknowledge readily. Things have to alter and the pace of

change has to be quickened. But this is not to do with any looming threat of political and monetary union. Concerns rest with the problems of completing the single European market as a free-trade consortium among likeminded, but essentially indepen-

communities. We want the heavy hands of politics and government lifted from the shoulders of enterprise and industry, not the other way round.

Those who peddle in spurious, doom-laden notions of the suffocation of British sovereignty do no service to the people of Britain whose prospects, in terms of both actual jobs at present and potential new ones in the future, depend arguably on single market opportunity for British firms, large and small, and for those investing here

We must begin to look beyond the bovine imbroglio, which com-monsense tells us will surely find harmony sooner rather than later. to the vital long-term task of getting European husiness truly fit for success in a global market.

For sure, that's the way it looks from a sensible distance. ☐ Sir Colin Marshall is President of the CBI; chairman of British Airways: chairman of Inchcape; deputy chairman of BT; and chairman of London First Centre.

# BBA forced to drop Lucas takeover bid

BY ALASDAIR MURRAY

THE threat of a major shareholder revolt has forced BBA Group to withdraw from launching a £2.5 billion takeover bid for Lucas Industries. A campaign by Robert Fleming, the merchant bank, which holds a 4 per cent stake in BBA, was backed by institu-

tional shareholders, including

Threadneedle Asset Manage-

AN inquiry was demanded by MPs yesterday into BTs

decision to pay £700,000 in salary to Michael Hepher,

who stepped down as man-

aging director last Decem-

BT is keeping Mr Hepher

on its payroll until August

1997, in spite of his £1

million-a-year post with

Charterhouse, the invest-

ber (Jon Ashworth writes).

ment and Standard Life.

The BBA board decided yesterday not to pursue a bid. It said in a statement that it was not satisfied Lucas shareholders would accept on suitable terms an alternative proposal to the planned £3.2 billion merger with Varity

Corporation. BBA would have needed to take on about £1 billion of debt and issue around El.9 billion

Consumer Affairs Minister.

urging Oftel, the telecom-

munications regulator, to in-

vestigate this "scandalous"

use of BT funds, said: "The

competency of BT's manage-

ment is brought seriously

into question by this decision.

What can be the possible business benefit of paying out such a large amount of

MP urges inquiry into

Hepher pay 'scandal'

derail the merger, which will take about three months to A number of companies have been linked with a further bid. including Landesmann and Linde, both of Germany. But there is a growing feeling in the City that BBA's failure to put

> would count against anyone else entering the fray. Shares in Lucas fell 15p to close at 239p, while BBA was

together a suitable package

of shares to pay for the deal.

unchanged at 303p. Mike Beard, director of communication at Lucas, said: We welcome the statement which underlines the excellent shareholder value created by the merger. Our shareholders and customers have throughout given strong support for the merger.

Under Takeover Panel rules BBA will not be permitted to bid for at least three months, by which time the Varity merger will have been completed unless another third party mounts a bid.



Clive Reeks, left, and David Tooth, of Silk Industries, where annual pre-tax profits rose 12.6 per cent to £2.4 million. A final dividend of 4p makes a total payout of 6p

### Casino firm sets sights on Europe

BY ALASDAIR MURRAY

LONDON Clubs International, the casino group, is set to launch a major expansion abroad and is looking at new sites in Brussels, Athens, Cyprus and Dublin.

London Clubs aiready owns casinos in Egypt and France and will open a site in Beirut this year. Alan Goodenough, chief executive, said: There are a number of exciting opportunities abroad, but there are still a number of legal hurdles to clear before we can develop these new

The company yesterday announced a 13 per cent rise in its full-year pre-tax profits, to E33 million on turnover of £167 million, up by 7.5 per

The company's two uppermarket London casinos, the Ritz and Les Ambassadeurs. performed strongly, and the London Park Tower, acquired in October, has fulfilled

expectations. The total dividend was raised 17 per cent, to 15.5p. A final dividend of 10.5p is payable on July 31. Shares in the company rose

4p, to close at 527p.

### BUSINESS ROUNDUP

### **Spring Ram warns** of first-half loss

ROGER REGAN, chairman of Spring Ram, yesterday warned shareholders that the kitchens and bathrooms group would incur a first-half loss, with City analysts now expecting a deficit of as much as £8 million. Mr Regan said trading conditions in the first half of this year were worse than at the same time last year, when Spring Ram made a profit of just £900,000. In the full year, it incurred a loss of £43 million.

The continued bad performance, along with the slow progress of Spring Ram's attempts to sell its door and furniture operations, are set to bring further pressure on Mr Regan. He took control of the group three years ago when Bill Rooney, the founder, was ousted after a revolt by institutional shareholders. But, since then, the group has struggled and its share price has collapsed from 80p, to 164 p yesterday.

### Pillar raising £44m

PILLAR, the property and investment group, is raising £44 million with a placing and open offer to fund expansion of its retail and leisure property portfolios. The company is issuing new shares at 160p each on a one-for-four basis. Existing shares fell Ip to 171p. Pillar saw a 95 per cent jump in pre-tax profits for the year to March 31, to £6.4 million. Earnings per share rose by 33 per cent, to 5.2p, and a final dividend of 3.2p will be paid, making 4.7p for the first full year after flotation.

### Allders backs Swissair

ALLDERS has finally endorsed a planned £160 million sale of Allders International, the group's duty-free stores chain, to Swissair. The company yesterday said it would ask shareholders to vote against a lower offer by BAA, the airports operator, at an extraordinary meeting on Monday. A bidding war broke out this week after BAA and the Swiss airline lifted their opening bids by £15 million each. Swissair offered £160 million just hours after BAA lifted its bid to £145 million.

### Critchley calls for cash

CRITCHLEY GROUP, the acquisitive cable identification and accessories company, is raising £11.5 million through a rights issue after recording a 27 per cent jump in pre-tax profits to £7.13 million for the year to March 31. One new share is being offered for every ten held at 810p each. Critchley's existing shares fell 43p to 942p. Earnings per share were 33.2p (27.1p), and a final dividend of 7.35p made a total of (0.85p (9.25p).

# THE SUNDAY TIMES 1000 MAKERS



The determination of a champion etched on her face. Chris Evert powers her way into the pantheon of sporting greats. She joins other 20th century legends such as Henry Cooper, Little Mo Connelly, Di Stefano, Gareth Edwards and Dawn Fraser in Part 2 of the superb FREE series 1000 Makers of Sport

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In the Style section, Therese Lawson reveals the dishes that helped Nigel to shed pounds, from cheese and apple souffle to weeping leg of lamb with aubergine gratin

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### A WORKING WEEK FOR: JOHN FINBOW

# Pot of gold at end of researcher's rainbow

Sarah Cunningham talks to a chemist who takes a down-to-earth view of his impending wealth after a lifetime in the laboratory

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JOHN FINBOW, the managing director of City Technology, is in the rare and happy position of knowing that, later this month, he will become a multimillionaire.

Although he is a businessman, the 50-year-old Finbow is also an unassuming research chemist who has spent much of his working life in a laboratory. He insists that the £8 million to EIO million he can expect to make, on paper at least, when City Technology is floated will not affect his life, "I'm not extravagant, I can't eat any more and i can't drink any more," he says, demonstrating a self-control some lottery winners would do well to emulate.

City Technology, which designs and produces gas sensors, is the latest company owned and run by former academics to come to the market. The offer size is expected to be about £45 million, with about £20 million of new money, which will go to pay off debts. The company will be valued at £75 million to £80 million. The offer will be priced on Thursday, and trading will begin on June 20.

Finbow owns about 14 per cent of the company, which will be diluted to around

10.5 per cent. Although he acknowledges that he could sell up and retire a rich man, he is happy to leave his investment with the company, "I don't need the money. Provided it's a good investment and continues to grow, as I'm sure it will, it'll stay there until such time as I need it," he says.

The company was formed by Finbow and fellow chemists — including Brian Hobbs, now technical director — at City University, London, in 1977. It stayed part of the university until 1993, when it was bought out for £24.5 million by the management team, backed by venture capitalists led by 3i. Finbow now sees himself as occupying

three distinct roles. He has been managing director since 1989, but considers that the least demanding part of his job. More taxing and interesting to him is his work in development and in sales and marketing. "Development is conceiving of an idea and getting others to turn it into a reality," he says. "It takes maybe 10 per cent of my time. About half my time is spent marketing; endlessly meeting cus-tomers, talking about problems, and doing a lot of travelling because 75 per cent of our product is exported overseas. You have to go and see your customers:

otherwise, they forget you exist."
But above all, he says, "I like to think of myself as an entrepreneur, looking for opportunities in the market and then going downstairs and discussing with the guys how we can do it." His motivation is simple: "Ego," he says.

This unusual combination of scientific know-how, enthusiasm for marketing and driving ambition has helped City Technol-

ogy to treble in size in the past five years. Last year it made an operating profit of E5.8 million on turnover of £14.4 million.

The company's origins lie with a Ministry of Defence contract won by City University in the early Seventies to make a sensor for fighter pilots' face-masks that could monitor their supply of oxygen. A round of defence spending cuts meant that the contract was cancelled, but the technology worked and soon other customers came forward. Finbow and his colleagues found that the same technology could be used to monitor other gases. Their electronic and catalytic bead sensors are now widely used in the mining, petrochemical, power generation and steel industries.

"We tried to sell the technology," Finbow recalls, "but in those days venture capitalists hadn't been invented. Nobody saw the potential, nobudy was interested. So being hungry and having young children, we decided to do it ourselves,"

It was unusual for a company to be set up within a university, but, he says, "the powers were quite keen". By contrast, "in the departments and among some indi-viduals there was a fair amount of hostility".

In spite of that, he remembers it as an ideal environment in many ways. "We had a wonderful arrangement because the university was really

like a banker and if we wanted materials the university would pay up. and we also didn't have to worry about salaries. It was a marvellous nurturing environment. We could get on with the job in hand of designing and building sensors." The company gradual-

ly got too big for the City University buildings in Clerkenwell and its managers eventually approached him and asked: "Would you like to relocate because we'd like to build some lecture theatres?" The company took the hint and moved to Portsmouth, attracted by the good access and a well-trained workforce.

But it was the beginning of the end of its relationship with City University. "When we were down in Portsmouth, the university completely lost contact except as a shareholder and I think they didn't understand what we were doing and talking about and they had their own plans for capital investment. I told them they were selling too soon, but wearing my managing director's hat it was good for our shareholders who got the company for a good price," Finbow says.

Kleinwort Benson handled the sale process and, although a number of companies expressed an interest, the managers won out. "We hankered after having a go ourselves and valued our

Although he had never imagined himself managing a rapidly growing private company, Finbow says that he never felt out of his depth entering the commercial world. "One surrounds oneself with professional advisers, finance directors, people who can look after the



John Finbow has three distinct roles, but likes to think of himself as an entrepreneur above all. His motivation is simple: "Ego," he says

details," he says. "When you are successful, it is not difficult to organise and manage. It is when you get into trouble that you need a different kind of manager and probably a different kind of person to

Personally, the move away from London has meant great happiness for Finbow and his wife, Toni, who teaches dyslexic children.

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They moved their fam-ily of four boys to the peace and quiet of Romsey, 30 miles from Portsmouth, on the edge of the New Forest. Their house has a large garden, which he enjoys working on,

when he has the time. Their youngest who is 19, is at Reading University studying engineering ("Bless his heart"). Oliver. 23, is a full-time rower with ambitions to compete at the Sydney Olympics in the year 2000, while their eldest son. Alex, is 24 and currently does walk-on parts for television programmes

and films. He wants to set up a video company, with which his father will become involved.

His sons have very different lives from what Finbow experienced growing up in Paddington, west London, the son of a builder. His only worry about them is that they could become spoilt. "I don't want them to feel that they're going to inherit millions of pounds, so they can sit around and do nothing. They've got to go out and make their own way. What we can do is to give them a start."

Finbow has few worries about the future of the company, which is looking to new markets in monitoring pollution and developing improved carbon monoxide alarms for homes. The company's skill, he says, is in taking existing technology and adapting it for mass-market production. "We have no big rivals; it is very difficult for anyone now to come into the market. It would take two or three years, and nobody is that committed to doing it,"

British scientists have always been considered excellent at science, but bad at turning ideas into products. This is unfair. Finbow argues, saying: "The scientists are very good at developing things but unfortunately are not often given the opportunity to take them to market and sell them. They are usually taken over by accountants and other professionals, who don't have a clue about the product." He adds: "If someone like Clive Sinclair were starting today, the enterprise culture would probably make him very successful. But he struggled because he didn't have funds. He was way ahead of his

time; he just wasn't supported." Finbow blames City short-termism for the problems of his predecessors, but does not mind taking a short-term view himself occasionally - when the drama of flotation is over, his plan is to "drink copious quantities of ale, cut the grass in the garden and put my feet up".

### HIDDEN ASSETS

# Artistic chemistry that cures the office blues

Oots the Chemists has Brecently installed a magnificent collection of contemporary works of art, specially commissioned for its new headquarters in Nottingham. The company has a long tradition of artistic and architectural patronage and is perhaps best known in this area for its famous Grade I listed D10 factory at Beeston in

Nottingham. Designed by Owen Williams and completed in 1932, it is now recognised by architectural historians as a pioneering work of English

The new group headquarters, however, is a singlestorey building, also in Nottingham, designed by Amec Design and Manage-ment. The interiors are ideal for large scale contemporary art - white walls with muted complementary colours and wide open spaces washed with natural light.

The dignity and simplicity of the surroundings required careful artistic commissioning to produce a collection that would both complement the spaces and reflect the culture of the company.

James Knox of Art for Work, acted as consultant on the project. The patience and skill required in an act of genuine patronage have as their goal the production of works of art that benefit both the company and the artist at

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every level.

The pitfalls are avoided by matching the right artist to the right subject. Ultimately the finished works must have both the working enhance both the working environment and the reput-

Joanna Pitman on how Boots created a splendid gallery of contemporary work

ation of the artist." The collection he assembled has already proved successful from both the corporate and the artists' point of view; a number of the already distinguished artists have since been elevated to greater pub-

Philip Hughes, for example, was commissioned to design a pair of wall rugs to be hung at the entrance to the main interior office. Hughes was inspired by an aerial view of the River Trent as it flows through an urban landcape. Since his work was hung, he has been

appointed chairman of the National Gallery in London. the first artist chosen for the post. For the central meeting area of the building, Steven Newell, the glass engraver, was commissioned to design a stained-glass screen. He produced a huge piece of intricately designed coloured the end wall. The design derived from his studies of a pestie and mortar and is

Leonard McComb, Keeper of the Royal Academy

considered to be his most

ambitious and unusual work



Leonard McComb, Keeper of the Royal Academy Schools, designed this tapestry for the boardroom

Schools, was chosen to design another tapestry for the boardroom. His design responded not only to the sophisticated demands of the patron's brief, but also to his own extensive artistic experience. He created an unusually fluid and serene image of fish swimming among a coral reef.

Another carefully chosen subject was handled by Richard Perry, the Nottingham sculptor, who was asked to create a pair of bronzes to stand outside the entrance of

the building.

Perry, who is often inspired by the forms and colours and movements of nature, designed a pair called Willow Cube and Pine Cube, which he cast in bronze from plaster. Meanwhile, the 1932 Boots

factory, hailed as "an icon of

British Modernism", has

been restored and refurbished by Amec Design and Management in consultation with English Heritage. As Peter Fawcett, Professor of Architecture at Nottingham University, points out: "The process of conserving Modern Movement buildings is notoriously problematic. The importance of this project is that Boots decided to inject a new lease of life into a Grade I

That its enhanced performance standards have been achieved without detriment to the ethos of Williams's masterpiece indicates another chapter in the history of the conservation of Modernist buildings."

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# Dow leads London lo as rate rise fears gr

RENEWED worries about an imminent rise in US interest rates left government securisharp falls on the day.

The FT-SE 100 index closed just above the 3,700 mark after being sent reeling by an opening plunge of almost 87 points in the Dow Jones industrial average. The index ended the session 53.5 points down, at 3,706.8, a fall on the week of 41 points.

The setback follows publication of the latest US employment figures showing the number of people getting jobs growing by 348,000, way above most forecasts. Once again, economists have taken this as a signal that the US economy is gathering pace and that a rise in interest rates is inevitable.

The consequences of such a move were not lost on London, where earlier this week base rates were cut to 5.75 per cent. their lowest level for eight

Blue-chip stocks were all marked lower, but selling pressure was minimal, with total turnover reaching 722 million shares. BAT Industries fell 1512p to 49812p. Glaxo 1512p to 81812p and Legal & General 2312p to

The smell of burnt fingers wafted round the Square Mile last night as shares of Lucas Industries tumbled 15p, to 239p. after BBA stunned speculators by announcing that it would not be proceeding with its blocking bid.

BBA, unchanged at 303p, has been locked in talks with institutional shareholders during the past couple of days, trying to gauge the level of support that it could muster if it were to make a bid for the larger Lucas.

An announcement from the company said that it had been unable to satisfy itself that Lucas shareholders would accept an alternative deal to the proposed merger between Lucas and Varity Corporation of the US. Only last week, Lucas announced plans for a £3.2 billion merger with Varity. creating a leading force in the car components market.

Last night, the speculators bidder to emerge for Lucas. pointing to open positions in the shares on the traded options market where there are still 9.000 contracts, equivalent to nine million shares. among the August 260p series.



The battle over control of duty-free shops saw Allders up 4p and BAA down 4p as BAA lost out to Swissair

GKN, down 16p at 974p, TI 14p off at 524p and BTR 6p lower at 269p, have all been tipped this week as potential

Shares of Maid, the online information provider, enjoyed a late rally, finishing 38p shead on the day at 336p, just a shade below the year's high.

£211,000 for the corresponding period.

BAA, the independent aiport operator, fell 4p to 483p after losing out to Swissair in

the battle for control of the Allders International chain of duty-free shops. It came after Allders recommended to shareholders Swissair's offer It follows publication of a bullish circular from Merrill of £160 million for the chain of duty-free shops. The offer

British Aerospace rose 24p to 937p. Talk that Airbus Industrie. the aircraft manufacturer in which it has a 20 per cent stake. may be floated is back on the agenda after a visit to Airbus's Toulouse plant earlier this week by a group of US investors. Brokers say Airbus could be worth £4 billion-plus.

Lynch, the broker, rating the shares a buy. Merrill considers Maid one of the best Internet plays on the London market and the shares look good value for money. The group should begin to be "strongly profitable" next year on the back of dramatically increased subscriber numbers, especially in the US. Last month. Maid reported an increased first-quarter loss of £1.43 million, compared with

from Swissair topped a previous increased offer from BAA worth £145 million. Allders finished 4p dearer at 210p.

Shares in the Premier League football clubs came under the hammer as the profit-takers moved in after the clubs agreed an extension of their deal with BSkyB, where News International, publisher of The Times, has a 40 per cent stake, and the BBC. The new four-year con-

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☐ GILT-EDGED: Reaction to the US employment numbers was fairly predictable, with market-makers moving quickly to deter any potential sellers. The markdown was a repeat performance of previous months after publication of the figures.

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☐ NEW YORK: The st than expected US jobs report for May led to early falls on Wall Street. Shares recovered some of the losses and by midday the Dow Jones industrial average was 29.19 points down at 5,638.00.

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### **TEMPUS**

# Extra lift at Aerospace

IN 1992. British Aerospace was closer to bankruptcy than the City realised. It was bad enough that the company was suffering a huge cash haemorrhage. What was worse, its executives could not immediately work out where the black holes were. The shares could have been bought for a little over El in the autumn of 1992, a far cry from yesterday's 24p

surge to 937p, an all-time high. The fresh excitement in British Aerospace was generated this week by Jean Pierson, president of Airbus, the European civil aviation consortium in which British Aerospace has a 20 per cent stake. As well as an upbeat statement on production of Airbus aircraft and on further cost cuts it was let slip that the consortium was shortly to produce a report by its partners on its future.

The report has got the City very excited

because it is thought likely to raise the possibility that the Airbus consortium could be converted into a single company and then floated off on stock markets, immediately putting a commercial value on British Aerospace's holding.

Only one problem. The consortium is made up of British Aerospace, privatised some considerable time ago, but also Aérospatiale, owned by the French State: Daimler Benz Aerospace, of Germany; and Construcciones Aeronauticas SA, of Spain. Even the partners of the consortium would anticipate some considerable period of argument before a husiness plan is agreed. If anything is going to happen, it probably ought to happen by the end of this year. On a yield of 1.7 per cent and a price-earnings multiple of 33, British Aerospace should not be chased much higher.

about the "real pressure"

being exerted towards the

end of June. Derivatives

### Copper

IF YOUR humble correspondent approached a bank manager with a proposition to borrow the bank's money to buy commodities he would fully expect to be shown the door. Set up a hedge fund, however, and you could run amok on the mmodities markets.

An exaggeration? Not at all just look at the mayhem among copper traders on the London Metals Exchange this week. Traders, suffering varying degrees of sudden financial disadvantage, are all pointing the finger at hedge funds, in a manner rather reminiscent of the pound's exit from the European exchange-rate mechanism in September 1992.

Yesterday the copper market tried to get its own back on the hedge funds which appeared to go massively

ing money by buying it back more cheaply later. So by played a role in the price collapse as those who help mining companies hedge tea-time yesterday, metal for their normal operations re-sponded to market risks. The immediate delivery was standing at \$320 a tonne moral for the private invesabove copper for delivery in tor: stay away from single three months, a reversal of commodities - don't put the normal state of affairs. your eggs in one basket. Brokers were talking

short of copper on Thursday.

selling metal they did not possess in the hope of mak-

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### Liberty

HOWEVER devoted they may be to glossy silk scarves and flowery ties, shareholders in Liberty, the retailer, may have found their patience a little frayed at the edges. Five years of declining profits, and a £16.6 million loss last year, do not quite amount to the performance that might have been expected.

Yesterday brought the news that, as well as cutting back on its branches, Libery has decided that it can no longer make its own distinctive fabrics, leading to the closure of its textile operation in Europe and a warehouse in Burnley. Lancashire. Liberty will keep on designing, but will license the rights to manufacture and

to distribute. Denis Cassidy, the chairprofits could soon be rising. Had the restructuring taken place a year earlier, pre-tax profits on a pro-forma basis have doubled to around £4 million. The cuts

met with City approval and the shares rose 42p, to 395p. They are also likely to please Brian Myerson, the South African investor with a 17 per cent stake, who has been pressing for change at Liberty. Liberty's shares are likely to be buoyed by speculation that Mr Myerson is interest-

ed in bidding. Free of its loss-making businesses. Liberty is an attractive proposition for a predator provided, of course, that the bidder could win over the 44 per cent holding of the descendants of Arthur Liberty, founder of the business.

### DC Cook

THE CITY is not fond of DC Cook. This is because the market tends to have a selecforget some things, but remembers how Derek Cook's motor traders disappointed shortly after floating in 1987. Cook claims it was a victim

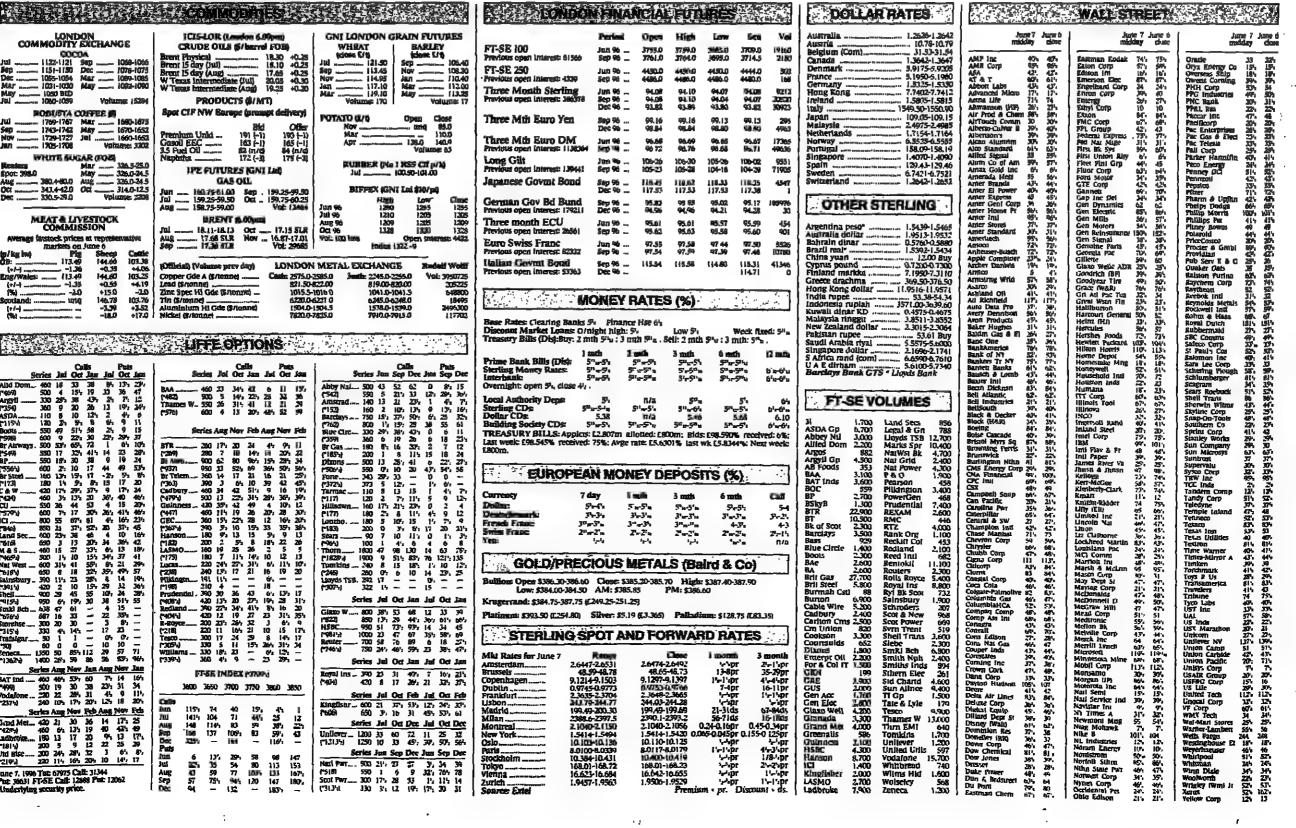
of Octav Botnar's decision to

remove Nissan franchises from the company. It was a long haul back for Cook, and a departure from the UK for Bomar after investigations by the tax authorities.

Cook's business has now been rebuilt with a range of marques — from Citroen to Fiat and with a heavy emphasis on second-hand car sales. While nobody has any illusions that this business is anything but fragile - a drop in consumer confidence can murder profits - Cook appears undervalued relative to the rest of the sector.

Profits for the year that has just ended are due out next month, and should show a solid 30 to 40 per cent growth to around £6 million pre-tax. This would put the shares. which have recovered from a low of 17p to stand at 63p, on a carnings. This is significantly below comparable companies, such Reg Vardy. The City has allowed Derek Cook to suffer for quite some time. A

rerating must be on the cards.



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Trusts dance to the tune of small savers

# WEEKEND MONEY

**LOST PENSIONS 34** 

Why women lose out when they retire



# Endowments are left in the shade

Caroline Merrell on why many savings plans may not yield enough to repay the mortgage

illions of home owners will enjoy cheaper mortgages after this week's cut in base rates. However, the cost savings for many may be counteracted by higher premiums on endowments as it becomes increasingly clear that many savings plans are not on track to pay off loans.

Some of the UK's higgest life insurance companies, includ-ing Royal Life, Pearl and Legal & General, have been forced to contact their policyholders to alert them to the problem. Others, such as Prudential and Norwich Union, are monitoring the situation to see whether they need to take action, while Standard Life and Scottish Amicable are leaving it up to their clients to make contact to try to find out whether they need to pay more

in to their savings schemes.

Many policyholders could face substantial increases to their premiums on the back of the dwindling returns earned by their endowments. Pearl, for instance, has contacted 30,000 policyholders from a total of 440,000 to warn them of the possible shortfall between their

policies and the mortgage.

Pearl claims that around two thirds of these clients face increases in premiums of less than £120 a year, while the worst affected could end up paying £300 more a year in premiums.

Royal wrote to a selection of its policyholders two years ago to point out that they could have to increase their premiums to ensure that their mortgages were paid off.

Chris Hudson, Royal Life spokesman, said the company was now writing to all its with profits endowment policyholders to alert them to a change in the way policies are reviewed. He also said the company would be contacting a number of these to warn them about a possible shortfall.

ome financial advisers

are predicting that if no action is taken, some of the shorterterm policies could end up being about £5,000 less than the £50,000 average mortgage. John Hylands. Standard Life general manager of mar-keting, on the other hand, is confident that the 1.6 million policies sold by the company are on track to meet their target. He said: We have been achieving returns over about 10 per cent on our policies, so we feel confident that the policies are on target."

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At the height of the housing boom nine years ago, about 30 per cent of those taking out a mortgage also took out an endowment aimed at paying off the loan at the end of the mortgage term. Figures from the Association of British Insurers show that nearly seven million endowments were sold from 1987 to 1989 alone.

These savings plans were offered by the majority of the building societies through their tie-ups with life insurance companies. Halifax, for example, had a tie-up with Standard Life, Alliance & Leicester was linked up with Scottish Amicable, while Nationwide sold the policies of Guardian Royal Exchange now called Guardian.

Prospective homeowners were told that not only would they have enough to pay off their loans at the end of the term, they would also have an extra tax-free jump sum when their policy matured.

The premium rate for these policies was determined by standard projections and standard charges. Until 1988, those offering with-profits endowments were allowed to assume that they would grow annually at a rate of between 7 and 10.5 per cent, and that standard charges on the policies would apply. The premium rates on these policies were set using these projected returns.

Unfortunately, many com-panies have failed to produce the returns necessary to match these projections, and the charges on policies have risen sharply - by up to 20 per cent

A recent survey by Money Marketing, the trade maga-zine, showed that the average return over the past ten years on an endowment policy was about 9.8 per cent, while the lowest was 6.8 per cent. Over five years, the returns have been even lower, averaging about 8 per cent, with the poorest performers hitting 5.5

ecuritised Endowment Contracts, the independent financial adviser, monitors the performance of endowment contracts. Max Rosen, managing director, said the company had recently surveyed 300 policies from a number of the biggest life insurance companies. He said: "We think that around 60 per cent of these policies are not on track to pay off the mortgages as they were intended."

Mr Rosen added that if the trend of falling bonus rates, caused by falling investment returns and low inflation. continued over the next five years, then the majority of endowments would have to be



### Direct in its lowest offer yet

irect Line delivered its strongest challenge to the high street lenders by cutting its mortgage rate to 6.05 per cent from 6.3 per cent, substantially undercutting the biggest building societies, which settled their rates around the 6.99 per cent mark.

The company also moved on the savings side by lowering rates on higher balances, but increasing the rate on those with balances of £500 to £999 to 4.5 per cent. The high street lenders have yet to make any move on savings, but all are indicating further cuts.

Jim Spowart, Direct Line financial services managing director, said: "Our new rates offer far better value than high street banks and building societies, including the

A £60,000, 25-year variable rate repayment loan with Direct Line will now cost E367 per month at 6.05 per cent. This compares to the monthly repayment rate of £402 on the equivalent Hallfax mortgage - a saving of £420 a year.

Direct Line's rate also undercuts some offered by those lenders committed to mutuality. For instance, it is lower than Bradford & Bingley's variable rate, which was cut to 6.74 per cent from 6.99 per cent, but higher than the 5.99 per cent rate offered by Bradford & Bingley's direct arm. Direct Line's rate also undercuts that of the Nationwide's 6.74 per cent.

Other low rates announced this week include 6.24 per cent, down from 6.46 per cent, at the Coventry Building Society for borrowers who have been with this society for more than five years.

ian Darby, marketing director of John Charcol, mortgage broker, said he thought there would be no immediate reaction in the fixed rate mongage market to the rate cut, but added: "Longer-term fixed rates of more than five years may increase

> Weekend Money is edited by Anne Ashworth

# Checklist for shortfall fears

f you think you have an endowment policy that is not on track to pay off a mortgage you can check this in a number of ways.

### COMMUNICATE

If you bought your endowment through a bank or building society - by far the most common route - or through a financial adviser or life insurance salesman. contact them about your fears. They will be able to find out under what assumptions the policy was sold to you and contact the company to ascertain how the policy is doing. and whether any action needs

to be taken. You could also contact Securitised Endowment Contracts (SEC). For a sum of £10, SEC will provide with profits endowment policyholders with a valuation, plus an idea of what their estimated maturity could be, and whether it will result in a deficit or surplus on the mortgage. SEC

claims that it will be able to provide the figures within 48

### MOST AT RISK

The endowments that are most likely not to be able to pay off the loan are the shorter ten-year and 15-year contracts. These have had the most severe cuts in bonus rates. Those companies that have the poorest performing policies will also be more at risk than better-performers. According to a recent survey, the poorest performers over ten years inluded Eagle Star. Royal Life, Sconish Amicable and Scottish Life. Also most likely to be at risk are the "low-cost" endowments where generous projections were used to keep the cost of premiums down.

ACTION PLAN

Any action you choose to take depends on your circumstances. Pearl, for instance, is its policyholders a those who have less than ten years to maturity, or whose policies are less than £10 a month, it suggests saving up in a building society account to pay off any shortfall. The amount you need to save depends on the projected shortfall. It is also suggesting that these people could top up the premiums on their existing plans. One further option is to pay off part of the original loan. Some lenders allow this, while others may charge.

If you have a long time to go before the policy matures, you could choose to do nothing, in the hope that the performance of the endowment will improve. The low investment yields being experienced at present because of low inflation and low interest rates may not continue for ever.

You should not surrender your policy as most life insurance companies impose large surrender penalties.

**CAROLINE MERRELL** 

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# Keep a weather eye on 3i

s the top brass of 3i look out from their offices overlooking Waterher station, they have every reason to feel content. The past few years have been ones of substantial progress. and achievement. The company's successful floar in July 1994 established it as the UK's largest investment trust: membership of the FT-SE 100 club followed shortly thereafter, and since flotation of the company's shares have usefully beaten the UK market, returning 72 per cent with dividends reinvested, against 34 per cent for the All Share.

Just as importantly, the strategic changes ushered in by Ewen Macpherson, the current chief executive, and Brian Larcombe, the finance director. have stood the company in good stead. Costs remain under control. The company is exiting gracefully from a dalliance in the US and its network of offices throughout the UK continues to generate a steady stream of investment opportunities. The group invested £610 million in the year to March 31, 1996.

However, investment trusts' performance depends on the behaviour of their underlying assets and getting on for 90 per cent of 3i's assets are in UK companies, the bulk of which are pretty small. For example, only around 18 per cent of 3i's investments have pretax profits of £5 million or more. Smaller companies, both quoted and unquoted. are sensitive to the health of the UK

### **PERSONAL INVESTOR**

economy, but arguably unquoteds are the more sensitive of the two. So. 3i's last difficult years came when the UK economy went into recession in the early 1990s, and the group's strong performance since listing owes something to the economic growth with which this has coincided.

So, if you believe that the UK economy is heading downwards, 3i is not the stock for you. Merrill Lynch believes that although the economy clearly dipped towards the end of 1995, fundamentally the UK remains well placed. with GDP growth forecast at 25 per cent for 1946 and 3.7 per cent for 1997. This would continue to provide a good backdrop for the group. Keep an eye out. though, for any signs of sustained economic weakness, as this would undoubtedly take its toll of 3i's assets.

Also, like all investment trusts, 3i does not necessarily trade at its net asset value (NAV). Some trusts trade at premiums to NAV, but at the moment the majority trade at below NAV, at a discount. 3i began life at a discount in the teens, but was smartly rerated to trade at a small premium. Why? Partly. no doubt, because investors perceived Investment Trust Analyst Merrill Lynch

that it was well managed and operated in a favourable background.

Another reason, though, was that only around 45 per cent of the company's shares were sold. As a result, index funds found it hard to buy their desired weightings. Last summer, another trunche of shares were sold, and on Thursday it was confirmed that the remaining big block of bank shares, NatWest's 17 per cent, was also to be sold. Index-related demand will therefore become a much less significant

inally, its non-UK assets must deliver the same level of returns as the UK. Last year, dull European economies and relatively dull markets for European smaller companies led to a 12 per cent return from this portfolio. against 28 per cent from the UK.

Buying any share is a balancing act, but the scales seem unusually even for 3i. In its favour: a strong record, a clear strategy and, in Merrill's view, a helpful background. Against: the company's rating could have more downside than upside, and the risks of getting the UK economy wrong could be substantial. We would hold on to 3i's shares but keep a lookout for any signs of economic weakness in the UK.

PHILIP MIDDLETON

# A slice out of life savings

Caroline Merrell and Sarah Jones

on how charges hit investments

Dity the poor investor. His money can be eaten away morsel by morsel in charges. After the middleman (the financial adviser, broker or salesman), fund manager and insurance company have had their slice, the investment cake certainly will not have any cherries or icing on top. In the first few years of a policy, the investor can be left with

However, there is some good news. Under the influence of newcomers, such as Virgin which has introduced low charge personal equity plans (Peps), charges under being reduced. The disclosure regime, introduced in January 1995, also forces fund managers and insurance companies to make a clean breast of their charges. Disclosure has, however, not hastened the reduction. Good performance must always be the overriding factor in any investment decision. But the impact of charges can decrease the prospect for profit, which means that even those who study the performance leagues are now increasingly checking out charges and other vital statistics, such as the mysterious free asset ratios. We answer your questions.

What level of charges can I expect to pay on a pension or endowment policy?

When it comes to life insurance A when it comes to life insurance products, such as savings bonds, endowment policies and pensions, charges can take a greedy slice of the investment cake. On a singlepremium life bond, such as withprofits or distribution bond. commission is around 5 per cent.

However, on longer-term prod-ucts, such as pensions and life insurance, commission may gobble up the majority of the investment in the early years. You will be told how much this commission will be in the product particulars. For example, on a El00-a-month pension plan, it may amount to around £832.

You will also be told in cash terms what all the other deductions will be. These will include fund management charges (on average 1 to 1.5 per cent a year), administration and policy charges (£2-£5 a month) and possibly renewal commission. You will also be provided with a surrender value for the policy, or a transfer value for a pension. This figure is a good indicator of the overall impact of the charges in the early years.

The Money Marketing with-profits pension and endowment survey (£3.75 from customer services, 0171-292 3707) showed that surrender values after five years on a £20-amonth, 25-year term policy varied from £3,671 (Equitable Life) to £2,264 (Eagle Star), with a mean of £2,905.

Where can I find out more about how endowment and pension schemes compare?

The Money Marketing survey The Money Marketing survey rates schemes on various criteria, including surrender values, showing clearly the impact of charges. For example, if you make a single payment of £25,000 into a pension plan, over 35 years the Prudential will deduct £227,845 in charges. Royal Insurance deducts

What sort of charges can I expect to pay for a unit or

The first succ on a the the initial charge, which can be The first slice off a unit trust is as high as 6 per cent. Typically half goes in commission to the middleman. The initial charge equates to the bid/offer spread, that is the difference between the quoted buying ("offer") price and the selling ("bid") price of units on a given day.

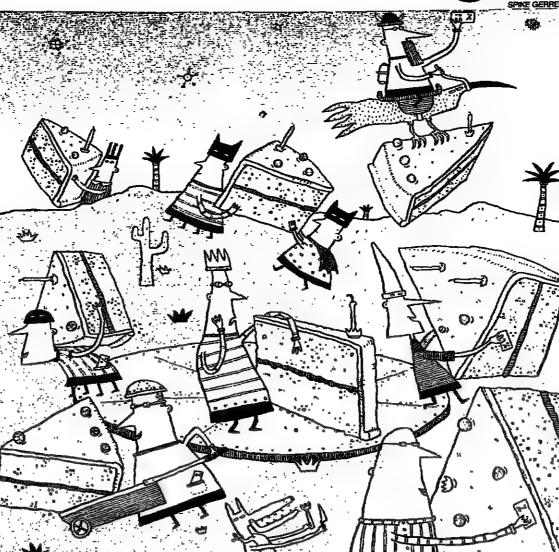
Sometimes the initial charge on a personal equity plan (Pep) is less than the bid/offer spread of the unit trust. Even then your investment has to perform by, say, 6 per cent to even start making money. The next slice comes from the annual management charge. Between 0.5 and 1.5 per cent will be taken out every year and over five or more years can add up to a substantial amount. With Peps that can include a renewal commission to the middleman. These charges are not performance-related. Even if the managers do a very poor job of stock picking they pick up their fees. However, charges are coming down; the average initial charge is 3 per cent. However, top performers such as Perpetual continue to have high charges, sure in the knowledge that their investments will attract customers.

How about investment trusts?

A Investment trusts can the cheaper than unit trusts. Since you are buying and selling through the stock market, as opposed to through the fund manager, you will have to pay stockbrokers' commission — typically 1.5 per cent plus 0.5 per cent stamp duty. Annual mangement charges tend to be lower at 0.5 to I per cent. There will, however, be charges when you sell.

So typically how much does that mean?

Say you invest £10,000 for five A say you ulvest Elotore European unit trust. The initial charge



will be £560 and, assuming an annual growth of 10 per cent, the annual management charges amount to a further £620, a total of El.180. Alternatively, put the same amount in the Gartmore European investment trust. You would pay £150 in stockbroker commission and another £50 in stamp duty. Annual management charges amount to £485 and when you sell the trust there will be £228 in stockbroker commission, a

Where is it possible to get discounts?

A Generally you will get a dis-count, or rather a reduction in commission, for an execution-only deal. That means you have to know what you want, since you will get little advice. Discount houses include Chelsea (0171 351 6022). Garrison (01482 861455). Pep Shop (0115 982 5105), BESt Investment (0171-321 0100 and Allenbridge (0171-409 1111).

Alternatively go to a fee-based independent financial adviser. For a list of firms contact Money Management (01179 769444).

WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN AN INSURER

OVER the past few years, a factor called financial strength has become increasingly important when choosing policies.

There may well be some strong reasons for not buying the policies by certain companies because they are financially weak. Companies in this position could be taken over - an action which may not always prove to be in the interests of the policyholders.

Financially weak companies may not always be able to invest as freely as they would like, because they have to keep more of their investments in fixed interest securities to ensure that they meet their

liabilities. On the other hand, a takeover, or a demutualisation, may bring an

How is financial strength of a company measured?

extra bonus to the policyholder.

The most common measure of A financial strength is the free suggests, the assets that the company has after it has met all its liabilities. Professional opinion is divided about how useful this figure is. Some believe that if this ratio is

asset ratio, which is, as it name

under 10 per cent, then the company could become a takeover target, while other observers believe that a figure of under 5 per cent is a more relevant

If the company is the subsidiary of a bigger and stronger company, this figure may not be so relevant.

Friends Provident, Sun Alliance. Britannic Assurance, Colonial Mutual, Clerical Medical, Sun Life and Guardian Financial all had free asset ratios of under 10 per cent in 1994 the latest for which figures are available

Clerical Medical is being merged with Halifax Life, while Sun Alliance is going through a merger with Royal. Friends Provident is considering its options for the future, which might include a takeover or a demutualisation.

COMMENT

ANNE ASHWORTH Personal Finance Editor

# Supermarket sweep for investors

Renneth Clarke is obviously a secret fan of Tesco. Shortly after the supermarket chain announced that its new loyalty card would be paying a 5 per cent interest rate on deposits, the Chancellor, an unashamed trencherman, acted to make this offer to look even better.

Those previously faithful to other chains will begin to haunt Tesco's aisles, not so much for the foodie delights, as for the generous rate of return paid by the new financial services department. For the store, extra sales of groceries will more than compensate for the interest rate bill.

In spite of this week's base rate cut, the Tesco Chibcard Plus rate is fixed until the end of the year. The building societies, meanwhile, are in a quandary. Caught off-guard by the Chancellor's surprise base rate reduction, they were, at first reluctant to decrease their mortgage rates. They are now equally hesitant to drop savers' rates. But these qualms will be short-lived.

The four top-ten societies that are en route to the stock market, and preparing to make themselves alluring to shareholders have no wish see their margins further squeezed. These aspiring plcs want the crucial interest rate margin between loan and investment rates to stay at its current level of about 2 per cent. The Halifax. Woolwich, Alliance & Leicester and Northern Rock are also sure in the knowledge that their customers will not be inclined to stray for fear of losing their payouts.

Those societies engaged in a love affair with mutuality may be slower to lower their investment rates. But they too

have no desire to see their margins grow still slimmer. Besides being an opportunity for Tesco, this latest rate cut may be the chance for Direct Line, to date better known for car cover, to make the hit in savings that it has achieved in insurance. So far, deposits have not arrived with the speed of the little red phone. Now Direct Line's savings division has moved to increase, rather than decrease, some of its savings rates. This kind of competition may ensure that the societies decide to trim a little less from their already

### System taxes your patience

THE anomalies and inconsistencies in the self-assessment tax system that have already come to light would fill a small volume. This week, two further examples have been discovered. One benefits the self-employed (a first), the other makes their lives more difficult.

As we report on page 32, the self-employed who contribute to a pension plan before July I, backdating the payment to 1995-96, can reduce their tax bills by 40 per cent of the amount invested. The tax will finally be payable but not until 1998. In brief, an interest-free loan from the Inland

This loophole may console a few parents applying for student grants for their children. As a result of one part of government having no idea of what the others are doing, local education authorities are continuing to ask for a 1996-97 schedule D tax assessment form. This provides proof of the parent's income, crucial to the whole application. However, as Geoff Edwards, of Grant Thornton, the ac-

countancy firm, points out, it is impossible to produce this document, as no such assessments will be issued this year, in the self-assessment transition period. Rumour has it that the authorities were warned earlier this year that the assessments would not be available. If

officialdom cannot cope with the rigours of self-assessment. what chance is there for the ordinary taxpayer?

### Protecting the public

revealed that he had paid out £220,000 in claims to wronged investors. A significant, but undisclosed percentage of this sum, went to the customers of one firm, whose identity is also under wraps.

The mysterious firm's advisers put clients into high-risk schemes, although most had specified the reverse. Staff were acting under duress, fearful for their jobs. One adviser questioned by the Ombudsman's office, remarked that his hands would have been chopped off if he had not followed

This firm is now being investigated by one of the industry's watchdogs. But this is not enough.

The firm continues to operate, evidently with official authorisation. Unaware of its reputation, new clients could be entrusting their savings to its care. This secrecy is shielding only the firm's directors, not the public. It is a serious flaw in the system of investor protection.



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We need to show people that MasterCard is understood and accepted globally. The move comes at a time of

a few on-pitch scuffles among providers the card themselves. American companies, such as Advanta, People's Bank

and soon to launch Capital One, are muscling in on the UK market with low-cost, nofrills cards. People's Bank has a 14.4 per cent APR and no annual fee.

The reaction of other issuers is twofold. First, rates have been lowered but only for new customers and only for an initial period. NatWest offers new customers 12 per cent APR until August next year. The rate then rises to the normal 22.9 per cent. Secondly, issuers are expanding incentives and loyalty schemes. Last month Barclaycard joined NatWest in giving cardholders Air Miles.

Mark Austin, of RBS Advanta, says: "Many of the cards with incentive to spend are just a transaction tool, a form of debit card. We believe credit cards should be a cheap way to borrow. Our competitors do not want to get into a pricing war but they may have to. If customers move to a low-rate card, the issuers

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Anne Ashworth on bonuses for dormant accounts

# A fortune revived



fortune lies in forgorten building society ac-A counts. Sometimes the owners of these savings may not even be aware that the money exists. Fond grandparents will often open accounts for baby grandchildren but fail to inform them later that the investment has been

Although some societies will go to considerable lengths to alert customers with unused accounts, these letters do not always reach the saver.

Jaqueline Clay, a public relations consultant, discovered only two months ago that she had £825 in a National & Provincial Building Society instant Reserve account. The account was opened at her birth in 1972 by her grandparents. However, the illness and subsequent death last year of her grandfather meant that account had overlooked.

At first, Miss Clay believed that she was entitled to benefit from the Abbey National's £1.35 billion takeover of the N&P. As an investor of more than two years' standing with the society, she would be in line to receive a £750 cash payment, plus 7 per cent of her balance, in cash or shares.

However, she began to question her eligibility when she unearthed a sheaf of correspondence from N&P. stating that her account had been forfeited under a mysterious "Rule 9". The ambiguous details in the takeover prospectus added to her doubts. Miss Clay said: "I was ready



Jaqueline Clay was unaware of an N&P account set up by her grandparents

as I had already lost out to the tune of £1,000 in the Cheltenham & Gloucester deal. My brother had had C&G accounts which were held in trustee names. When the funds were transferred into new accounts, the old accounts were closed and our status as two-year savers disappeared."

This week, however, the N&P confirmed that anyone with forfeited accounts containing £100 or more would qualify as a two-year saver.

A spokeswoman explained that Rule 9 was not intended to deprive investors of their takeover rights, or of their

cash, but as a protection against fraud. She explained that all sums of more than £100 in dormant accounts were swept into the society's If the investor wished subsequently to use the account, he or she would have to provide proof of

n November, the Halifax Building Society will be writing to members, informing them of their baiance of their accounts at November 25, 1994, and reminding them that they must restore their accounts to the required level by the extraordinary general meeting in February 1997. In the early Nineties, the Halifax moved all small dormant accounts into one large account. But it has recently reopened the accounts because some investors with several small accounts may have £100 or more invested with the socity and so qualify to benefit for free shares.

Shares will be distributed to every member whose name and address is known to the Halifax. However, the society will retain shares where the post office has returned

### Woolwich outlines flotation payout terms

AS SPECULATION continues that the Prudential and Woolwich remain in talks about a takeover, the building society carries on with its progress towards a planned flotation next year.

Its latest move is to publish a series of leaflets, available free in 410 branches, that explain how qualifying members who have died since the end of last year or who do so before the actual conversion date are, in most cases, protected. The Woolwich has also outlined the terms of

the variable payout for many of the 3.5 million qualifying savers and borrowers. All qualifying members will receive a standard number of free shares worth around £750. However, members of two years' standing or more will receive another parcel of free shares, provided they have an overall account balance of more than £1.000 on two key dates. These are December 31, 1995, and the date of the special general meeting, which is expected to be in the first half of next year.

Minimum overall balance to be taken into account when allocating extra shares is £1,000 and the maximum is £50,000. In view of speculation surrounding the Pru and Woolwich, first flagged in The Times in April, Donald Kirkham, acting group chief executive, said: "I would like to take this opportunity to reassure

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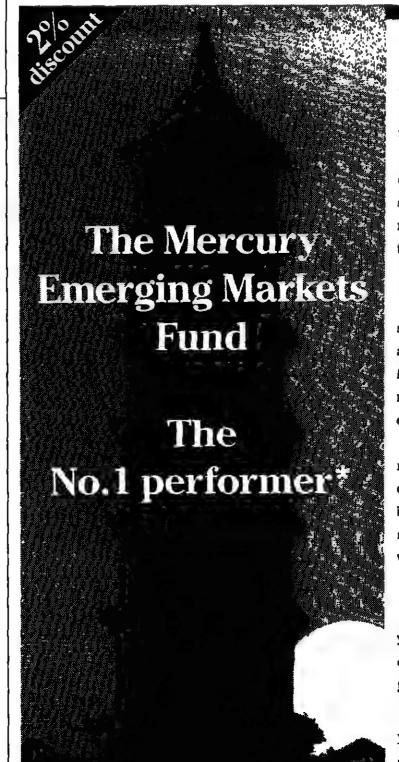
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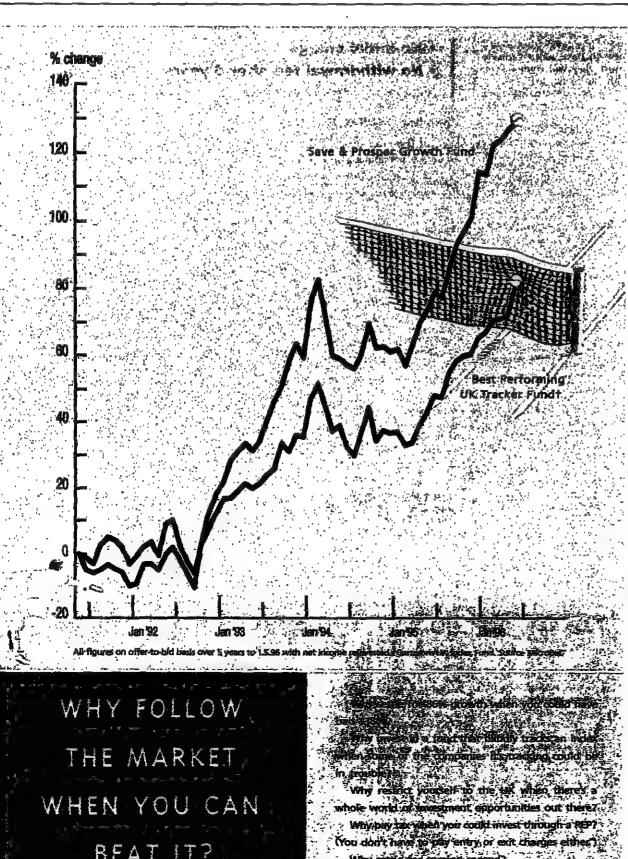
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Israel Prime Minister-elect Binjamin Netanyahu must keep the economy buoyant and have a firm hold on inflation

# Peace chase in Israel

Political leaders elected to form a government generally do so with haste to signal to voters their readiness to assume high office and at the same time to mop any fevered stock market brows. In Israel they do things differently. Their incoming Prime Minister, in this case Binjamin Netanyahu, has a rather generous 45 days in which to form

his Government. But Prime Minister-elect Netanyahu does not have time on his side. He must indicate soon how he intends to take the Middle East peace process forward and how he will keep the economy buoyant while monitoring inflationary pressures. A healthy Israeli stock market is vital to the growing band of emerging market fund managers and their followers who are investing in the Near-East region. There is undoubt-edly a peace dividend to be factored into the renewed investment interest in the region. But it also helped considerably when Israel last year joined the Morgan Stanley index of

emerging markets. This

Robert Miller on the vital timetable to build in a dividend for would-be investors

makes it a must for a fund that uses this particular index as a performance benchmark.

The Tel Aviv stock exchange dominates the region, which includes Turkey, in both size and liquidity. Its market capitalisation of \$35 billion compares with Eygpt's \$6 billion and Jordan's \$5 billion. The Beirut exchange, which has recently reopened for business, has only four quored companies with a collective worth of less than \$500 million. That figure, however, will leap to more than \$2 billion by the end of the year when Solidere, a real estate com-

pany, joins the market. Tristan Clube, a director of Martin Currie, whose £65 million Emerging Markets unit trust has a 4 per cent exposure to the Near-East and which also runs a \$20 million offshore Near East Opportunities fund for institutional in-

flotation on the Cairo market of the state-owned Nasr City, a real estate company, was very successful. The issue was helped considerably by a government undervaluation and a heavy oversubscription. The result was a 25 per cent rise in the share price in the first two

Access to the nascent Palestinian economy through quoted companies is at present only possible through companies such as the Tel Aviv-listed Koor, the Israeli electronics to property conglomerate which has an exclusive cement contract with Gaza. Another example is Jordan Cement, listed on the Amman exchange.

The Israeli export-led economic success story extends not just to its neighbours but further afield to Asia and Eastern Europe and that looks set to continue. Roger Hornett.

Turnbull, the broker that sponsored the launch two. years ago of the £100 million Israel Fund, an investment trust, says that the Tel Aviv market "is at the cheapest level I have ever seen". Evidence of that is that the shares in the Israel Fund are currently trading at a 20 per cent discount to the net asset value of the shares in the underlying portfolio.

Mr Hornett adds: "The Israeli economy grew at 7 per cent last year and it was felt that a target GDP range of 6-6.5 per cent for this year was achievable. That has now been revised to 5.3 per cent. The appointment of an Israeli Cabinet is absolutely crucial and particularly the Finance Minister's post." The general feeling among fund managers is that Dan Meridor is the preferred candidate to Ariel Sharon. "But either way," says Mr Hornett, "it is essential that the Finance Ministry introduces a package of budget measures to keep the lid on inflationary pressures."

## New markets attract Schroders

ly on its offices in ten emerging-market countries and 50 experts dedicated to such investments for the launch of its new investment trust unveiled today.

The Schroder Emerging Countries investment trust. which will be officially launched on July 2, will complement the group's exist-ing £277 million Global Emerging Markets unit trust. John Govett, chairman of Schroder Investment Management, says: "The IMF has forecast that emerging countries will have annual GDP growth more than double that



of developed countries over the next three years.

"We believe that this should translate into superior returns for equity investors. For investors wanting to participate in these markets, a collective investment vehicle is much the most sensible approach." Save & Prosper, another large investment and unit trust manager, has largely

kets theme for the relaunch of its £150 million Scotbits unit trust. It will henceforth be known as the S&P Growth fund. S&P says its new fund, which is fully Pepable, will have no initial or exit charge but will levy an annual fee of i.5 per cent. It adds that its relaunched unit trust "is an assault on the no-load tracker fund market". Schroders: 0800 002 000

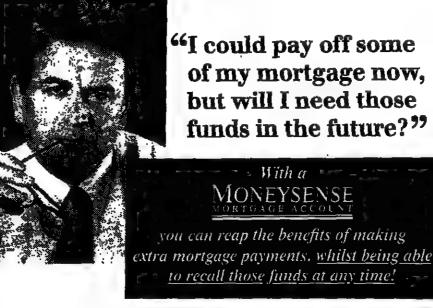
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Eventually the tax will have to be paid at the end of January 1998, but the delay means that you get the equivalent of an interest-free loan of 20 per cent of the pension contributions for a year and 20

per cent for six months. For example, a £10,000 pension payment will reduce your tax bill by £4,000 and this amount does not have to be paid back for two years. Leila Sangar, head of pri-

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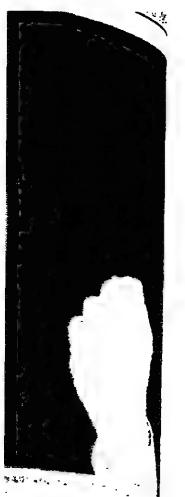
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he property market was given a strong boost this week after the cut in base rates and the subsequent wave of mortgage rate reductions. The 0.25 per cent drop in the base rate immediately prompted a mad scramble by the high street lenders to set new loan rates. Some of the biggest lenders chose to pass on the entire 0.25 per cent cut to their borrowers - bringing rates down from about 7.24 per cent to 6.99 per cent — some such as Direct Line and the Coventry decided to cut

even further, to close to 6 per cent, The monthly cost of a 6.99 per cent 25-year £60,000 repayment mortgage will now be £402, E9.13 less than it was previously. A year ago the same type and size of mortgage would have cost about £450. This is the fifth time loan rates have been cut in the last 12 months and may be the final trigger for real recovery in the housing market. Although the Halifax has recently upgraded its forecast for house prices rises over the year from 2 per cent to 5 per cent, housing analysts have expressed concern that the recov-ery may be fragile. There has not yet been a big increase in the number of transactions.

Lenders believe that the key to real recovery in

Lenders vie to offer lowest home-loan rates

the housing market will be the number of people in negative equity. According to the Woolwich, about 960,000 households have loans which are greater than the value of their property. The society calculates it would take a 9 per cent rise in prices to spring everyone from the negativeequity trap. The Halifax Building Society led the way in cutting rates, bringing its standard rate down from 7.25 per cent to 6.99 per cent. Mike Blackburn, Halifax chief executive, said: "This latest cut represents a further "shot in the arm" for the housing market and consumer confi-dence in general." Not all Halifax borrowers will feel the benefit of the cut straight away. Half

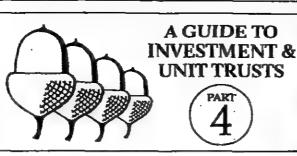
of the two million existing borrowers with variable rate mortgages will see their rates cut in August, while the rest who are on annual review (where rates change once a year) will have their rates adjusted early in 1997.

ther societies and banks which cut rates included the Northern Rock which also dropped its rate to 6.99 per cent, and the Abbey National which cut its rates by 0.25 per cent. Abbey National borrowers with loans of over £100,000 will now pay 6.94 per cent. Those with loans of between £60,000 and £99,999 will pay 6.99 per cent. while those with loans of less than £60,000 will pay 7.04 per cent. Existing borrowers will have to wait until September for the rate cut. The Woolwich also chose to cut its rates to 6.99 per cent, but said: "Savings rates are a key part of the delicate balancing act that all societies are

now having to perform. If a base rate cut affectws mortgages, it will inevitably affect savings. But we are aware that savers can find an alternative home for their savings."

Again existing Woolwich borrowers will have to wait until August before they feel the benefit of any change. N&P also cut its rate to 7.04 from 7.29 per cent, and the Alliance & Leicester cut rates to 6.99. Bradford & Bingley. whose rate was 6.99 per cent, cut to 6.74 per cent. Nationwide and C&G did not immediately cut rates, but said they were keeping the situation under review. As more lenders move to cut rates, the pressure on those holding firm will intensify. Nationwide, which recently launched a package of mutuality benefits for its borrowers and savers, said its rate was still lower than the Halifax's at 6.74 per cent.

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# Smaller savers keep in rhythm



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Tor anyone wishing to save money regularly, two attractive options two attractive options are unit and investment trust savings plans. Their cost, potential returns and flexibility put them in a league of their own, If accessed via a personal equity plan (Pep), they are tax-

Roger Jennings of M&G believes there is a large market of people who do not have lump sums to invest, but who would like to save regularly to build up some capital.

Most small savers who do not want to get locked into long-term endowments or pension plans end up stashing odd sums of money in the building society. But many societies are no longer keen on accepting small sums and even those that do cannot offer very high returns in the current low interest rate climate. Unit and investment trust companies do not discriminate against small savers.

On the contrary, they are prepared to accept regular savings as low as £20 to £25 a month, usually on the same terms as if you have £1,000 or more to invest. For a small monthly outlay you have access to a wide range of trusts investing in UK and overseas markets and to top fund managers such as Perpetual. Morgan Grenfell and Schroders.

Recent performance figures from Micropal show that £50 a month saved over the past five years (£3,000 in total) in the average UK income and growth unit trust would now be worth \$4.166, a gain of 38 per cent. Tax-free returns, if you invest through a Pep, are even higher. Savers who want to minimise risk could choose a corporate bond or cash unit

When you start a unit or other forms of savings.

investment trust savings plan. you are normally encouraged to set up a standing order or direct debit to make the administration easy, but you are not forced to save for any

Research by Bardays Unicorn has found that people particularly like this aspect of the schemes.

specified period.

They liked the idea of the discipline of regular savings, but in these uncertain times they also valued the fact that they could stop their contributions without penalty if needs be." said Paul Ashby. Barclays Unicorn marketing manager. Many people continue saving for lengthy periods. M&Ğ recently checked on a group

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that had started saving in 1965 and found that after ten years more than half were still doing so. Besides being able to stop and start your savings at your discretion, there are also no restrictions on when you can

Although it is best to regard any investment in shares as a medium to long-term investment of five years or more, it is often reassuring to know you can get at your money if you

One of the reasons savings plans are not promoted more is the low commissions they yield to salesmen and financial advisers, compared with

Because of the small sums involved initially, it can also take two or three years for the fund managers to recoup the cost of even a short burst of advertising their schemes.

Attitudes may be changing, however. Companies are beginning to see the merit in the bank and building society approach of trying to catch 'em

Paul Ashby agrees: "If you can attract people via a sav-ings scheme initially, there is more likelihood that when they do have lump sums to invest, they will come to you with that money too.

Savings schemes help us to sell to a younger age group than we normally attract people in their late 30s to early 40-year-olds who don't have lump sums at present. When they do get a bit extra they tend to add it to their existing holdings."

Charges on savings schemes are usually the same as for lump sums. Some investment trust managers have no initial charges at all, even when the scheme involves a Pep wrapper. They include Abtrust. Finsbury Asset Management and Personal Assets.

With unit trust plans, the usual charge of 5 per cent is deducted initially, although regular savers who want a Pep can opt for M&G's Managed Growth Fund, which has no front-end charge, or Save & Prosper Direct's Growth Fund, which is also no-load.

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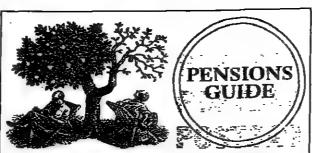
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Anne Ashworth explains the state pension ground rules



# Check that the State pays up

rules are rich in complication and seeming contradiction. In have received several letters from our readers querying the rules for wives' pensions, in particular those relating to women who are receiving a state pension in their own

For some years, we received the full married couple's pension, currently £97.75, including the dependent's payment of £36.60. When my wife reached 60 she qualified for a pension of £28 a week, based on her own National Insur-ance contributions. I thought that we could continue to



receive the extra payment. But not so. My wife was given the married woman's pension of £36.60 but lost all entitlement to the pension in her own right. In other words, the contributions that she had made stood for nothing. I cannot believe that this can be fair."

Vic Walker, Hull, also writes:

I retire in November this year when I reach 65. My wife, who is already 65, is receiving her own state pension of £15.89 a week. When we asked for a forecast of my pension. I was told that I would receive £97.75 a week. My wife's own pension disap-pears. We find this hard to accept, especially as, when we tuned into a local radio phone-in, it seemed as hough some wives were confinuing to receive their own pension, on top of the full married couple's pension,

The married women's state pension rules can often appear illogical today because they hark back to a time when husbands were the breadwinners and few wives worked outside the home. We are now in a period of transition. The generation of working women who can expect full state pensions are several decades away from retirement. Thousands of those retiring now have patchy contribution records but can still claim some state pension, based on

their own endeavours.

The rules work like this: When a married woman reaches 60, she may be entitled to a Category A basic state pension, but only if she has made sufficient full-rate National Insurance contributions. To the chagrin of many wives who only become aware of this fact when they celebrate their 60th birthday, reduced rate married women's NI contributions do not count towards a pension. The state pension is taxed as the wife's income.

If a wife has never had any . paid work, then she may qualify for a Category B married woman's pension of £36.60, based on her husband's contributions, but only if he has already reached 65. A husband can also receive the same sum for a wife under 60 if she is dependent on him.

any women who are collecting pensions, based on their own contributions, are bewildered to find that these pensions are taken away, if they are less than the married woman's pension. Although they may getting more money, they still feel they have been robbed of the pension which they have built up through their own efforts. They have been left in the same situation as if they. had never entered paid work.

The Department of Social Security says that no-one may = an's pension and her own state pension. A spokesman ex plained that it was the Social Security philosophy that you should not be left worse off than you were. He commented" "If the Category B pension is higher than the Category A pension already being paid to a woman, then she will receive the Category B pension."

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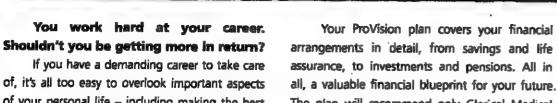
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# Should you watch your dog's wagging tail to pick shares?

theories about the stock market being linked to skirt heights and the stars - but our pooch's gnashers? An offbeat New York fund manager caused a stir in the City this week by telling how he made many millions using a quirky set of indicators, including the number of dental operations performed on pets. They were up by 100 per cent last year, indicating a jump in spending and. therefore, inflation. He also watches how many railroad cars roll through different parts of the US, sales at Salvation Army stores, and the size of cigarene buns.

Victor Niederhoffer, a Harvard-educated Berkeley University professor who reads only the National Enquirer, the sex and scandal weekly, says the butts in London are small, indicating economic pessimism and a sure victory for Labour in the next elections. His observations were made on a visit. Mr Niederhoffer. the 52-year-old father of six daughters, does plenty of travelling. His company is based in Manhattan. He lives in Connect-

icut, and has taught in California. He has been successful. Over the past three years. Niederhoffer Global Systems, his Bahama-registered fund of \$23 million, has increased by 153 per cent. That means that for every £1 you put in the fund three years ago, you would now have £2.53. However, the management fee is 2 per cent and there is a performance fee of 20 per cent when the fund reaches a

Jody Brettkelly offers a guide to stars, skirts

and scandals in the wacky money races

certain level. Over the past year a new breed of financial astrologer has claimed that several City firms and private investors are now looking heavenwards for guidance on what the markets will do. although few admit to doing so. Patricia Hamilton, formerly a qualified stockbroker, of St Helier, Jersey, is now an astrologer charging around £50 an hour to help clients to make financial decisions.

although she cannot give financial advice.

investors should be wary of pinning all their hopes on a single theory, however good the story it tells. One example is the Hy-5 fund from Johnson Fry that works on the principle that high-yielding shares have good growth potential. It looks at ten that offer the highest yield and selects the five with the lowest price. Performance has been patchy. If you put El in the fund 18 months ago, you would now have £1.08. It's important to check out the guru behind the theory. Some money managers follow the thesis of William Gann, which is based on circles. Legend has it that he left a fortune when he died in the Fifties, but the money has never been found. Investment advice based on his hypothesis.

James Higgins, partner at Chamber-

lain de Broc, the fee-based independent financial adviser, has heard many wacky stock-picking ideas. He says: "When their predictions are wrong, they usually say that the exception proves the rule." However, one of his clients has earned

returns of 20 per cent a year by selling when directors of the company are featured in a tabloid scandal and buying when they are shown at a charity do. The idea is that efficient managers can fill their days with a lot of other helpful activities.

ob Beckman, an American fund manager, successfully demonstratmanager, succession, control of ed in the Eighties that any fool can make a profit in a rising market by reading out shares to his dog and choosing those that made its tail wag.

Of about 400 UK unit trusts currently sold to investors, more than three quarters underperformed the FT-SE all-share index over the past five years and overseas funds and pension funds do not do much better. It has been shown several times that a child of ten with a pin and a FT-SE index will outstrip many professionals.

Some fund mangers are now using computer models to select their shares. These models are "taught" to watch the markers and make their own decisions about which shares to choose. But these models are only as good as the programmer. Computer models are most commonly used to construct tracker funds that mirror one of the stock exchange indexes. The model builds a mini-version of the main index by looking at how individual shares have contributed to its movement. So far so good, but some of these funds carry steep charges. Some of the cheapest Pepable trackers — one of the best ways to invest your annual £6,000 tax-free allowance - are offered by Fidelity and L&G. They have no entry or exit fees and charge

Why would you want to invest only in burn stocks? A fund, again run by Johnson Fry, does exactly that. The idea is that if a rticular share fell last year, it must revive this year. Over the past two years. £100 invested in the Worst Performing Fund would have risen to £135 after charges.

It seems that when it comes to stock picking, a little research never goes astray. The famed Beardstown Ladies in the US, who have beaten most Wall Street experts, take close note of what's selling well in supermarkets and shopping malls. But for those wanting the perfect market indicator. Peter Cregeen, a partner in Henderson Crosthwaite, the stockbroker. and official investment adviser to pools winners, says: "If there was a sure-fire key to making money, I wouldn't be talking to you. I'd be in the sun on a desert island."



### PLANETS, CYCLES AND THE WEATHER

Astrology: "Astro-economists" as they like to be called, link planetary positions to economic cycles and stock market movements. For example, the changes in the cycles can be linked to changes in the climate, which, in turn, affects the behaviour of consumers and therefore exports

and commodity prices.

Month of the Year: David Schwartz, author of The Schwartz Stockmarket Handbook, finds trends in the months. in January share prices rose in three out of four years, and they often rise in August before investors go on

Chartism: Predictions are based on previous patterns in the markets. There are 10 to 15 established trading patterns, according to John Cuningham, chairman of Investment lesearch in Cambridge. Sentiment Indicator: Seniment makes many investors

counter this, some investors do the opposite.

☐ Directors of the company: Some investors watch to see when a director buys or sells shares in his or her own company. Simon Roberts, director of UK and European research for Fidelity, says: "When directors buy shares in their own company, it is a positive sign because it shows they have confidence in it. But a director selling shares may just mean that they need the money to pay the school fees." ☐ Bottom of the bunch: At the end of the year you look at which stocks have fallen furthest. The only way is up.

Company health: Some investors buy only shares with a high yield, which means they pay high dividends relative to price. Others, such as Alan Hardy, head of research with Lloyds Private Banking, say that those dividends can be cut and that earnings per share



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**Sweeteners** 

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T ever has so little been appreciated by so many. Logic said that the supermarket loyalty card would be a short-lived gimmick, but customers flocked to it. Indeed, so successful has it been that Tesco is now using its Clubcard as a springboard into financial services.

In a week's time. Tesco customers can apply for an improved version of the Clubcard, called Clubcard Plus. The main attraction is that Clubcard Plus will give 5 per cent gross annual interest on deposits, guaranteed until the end of the year. That's ten times higher than most bank and building society current accounts and 20 times higher than the 0.25 per cent rates offered by National Westminster, which is running the

Under the existing scheme,

Tesco is further blurring the line between retailing and financial services. Sarah Jones reports

the money at the supermarket.

The rate of interest on this

card will probably pull cus-tomers in."

Customers will deposit

money with Tesco through a

monthly standing order on their bank and pay with the card when they buy groceries or petrol from Tesco. They can

earn points on their shopping.

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overdraft — usually equal to their monthly standing order

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well as the 5 per cent

vouchers based on the amount they spend. With Tesco's new scheme, aimed at customers who pay for their weekly trolley-full with a credit card. there are added debit. credit

Liz Mandeville, of RMDP, a research consultancy, says: "It's been on the cards for some time that retailers would move into limited banking operations. The schemes are easy to set up, with the help of a bank, and are an effective way of keeping customers.

People are rejuctant to set up direct debits, but, once they have, they rarely cancel them. and so will continue to spend

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banks might charge. On top of all that, Clubcard Plus can be used to draw money from NatWest cash tills. Although Tesco happily ad-

mits that the average reward on its Clubcard is just £5.16 every three months - that's 40p a week, compared with the average weekly spend of - 8.5 million customers have taken up the Clubcard and 6.5 million have stayed loyal. Tesco expects yet more customers with the new card.

ike Dennis, food retailing analyst with NatWest Securities. "More services will be added gradually to the basic card. For the moment. NatWest is happy to draw custom away from other credit cards and Tesco is upping the ante in the loyalty card

Clubcard's success has forced Sainsbury to revamp its Saver Card substantially widely rumoured to be launching next week, in alliance with the Royal Bank of Scotland, though neither retailer nor bank would confirm details. Safeway, meanwhile, has its Added Bonus Card, which gives free products, in-store services and other "family offers" as well as the usual vouchers. Asda has a petrol Fill 'n' Save card and is piloting the Asda Club card. Only Waitrose seems to be bucking the trend, sticking to its charge card.

Tesco is joining a flood of UK retailers and non-banking companies that are moving into the crowded financial services industry.

Tomorrow, Virgin launches its Life Insurance and Survival Plan as part of a policy gradually to expand its financial products. The first life policyholder is former Scottish Widow Deborah Moore. Pensions are expected in late summer. Virgin

Get a Life

Scottish Widow is Virgin's first Life policyholder

started off last year with personal equity plans (Peps). These have attracted [25million from 65,000 customers. That is dwarfed by a provider such as Fidelity, which has El billion from 200.000 Pep

Marks & Spencer has also added pensions and life insurance to its personal loan and unit trust business. It admits the new products have had a slow start, but claims they are

now on target. Meanwhile, British Gas has confirmed that it is looking closely at financial services, and Volkswagen, which already owns a bank in Germany, is stretching its banking operation across Europe. Ambrose McGinn, Abbey National's marketing director. says: "When a financial service is related to the retailing.

such as a supermarket budget

account or car finance, then it is broadly acceptable to consumers. But when companies stetch their brand into pensions and savings, they also stretch consumers' sense of trust. To sell such products. you need to build up trust over many years.

The new brands coming into financial services make a lot of noise, but the amount of business that they gain is modest compared with the

ife companies, too, are pushing out their tentadeles into new areas. Prudential is to launch its banking operation in October, offering deposit accounts and mortgages, by telephone and its direct sales force. Later in the year, Standard Life will also open deposit accounts. Scottish Widows opened its

own bank a year ago and runs four deposit accounts, including a Tessa, which currently pays 6 per cent. All Scottish Widows policyholders have the option to transfer their maturing policy funds into a deposit account at the bank. The Interest Access Account pays from 4.75 to 5.75 per cent gross per annum, and the 60 Day Notice Account from 5 to 6 per cent gross. The bank has recently revamped its policy loan product and is looking at other forms of lending, includ-

ing mortgages.
Graeme Hartop, the finance director of Scottish Widows, says: "There is a panies moving into banking. Shorter-term accounts fit in well with life products because each year funds worth billions of pounds mature and companies want to capture that market."

Additional research by Lizanne Rose

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bonus, the shares must be held

continuously until July 31,

The pathfinder prospectus for British Energy, which comprises of eight nuclear power stations, will be published next week. Those interested in buying shares in the company can register at one of the 100 or more share shops up and

down the country. These shops are reporting a higher than expected interes in the nuclear sell-off. Many of those considering an investfind, however, that they are on holiday when the applications

Meanwhile, British Gas shareholders had a slightly better week, with the announcement of further controls on the company's supply business. The controls are expected to cut a further £8 off the average household bill. and around £60 million off the profits of the supply company of British Gas.

This would appear to be bad news for "Sids", but in fact the share price of British Gas rose slightly on the announcement of the review. Analysts had feared that Clare Spottiswoode, the gas regulator, was

power sale going to introduce much tougher controls on the gy was given a fillip this week with the an-

Ms Spottiswoode's regulatory action against TransCo, British Gas's pipeline and transport business, which was announced last month, has already had a catastrophic effect on the British Gas share

The review of this side of the business is expected to cost the company up to £850 milion. It will, though, bring with it a saving of around £30 a year on the average household's gas bill. When the regulator announced these price curbs, British Gas's share price fell 27p, wiping £1.2 billion off the price of the company. The price has now rebounded slightly off its 177p level to stand at around 188p. The response to the regulator's pian will come

next week. Some believe that the company may be able to water down the pro-posals. Whatover happens, it is likely that the plans will

the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. The outcome of any investigation by the MMC will take some months to come to fruition, leaving sharehold ers in an uncertain position.

Railtrack shares dropped slightly over the week to stand at around 215p, down from the initial post-privatisation peal of 227p. Railtrack was sold a

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### WEEKEND MONEY LETTERS

Why is the Halifax dragging its feet over conversion?

From Mr W. Sholto Sir, Congratulations to your correspondent Serge Lourie (Weekend Money Letters, May 25) and his Halifax Action Group for raising the issue of the extraordinary slow pace at which the conversion to the status of bank is being pursued by Halifax Building

As Mr Lourie points out, the conversion was first an-nounced in late 1994 and 18 months later, the building society is talking about effecting the change, possibly, in another 15 months. In other words, they contemplate that demutualisation will take a whole 33 months, or two years and nine months. No conversion has ever been as slow as this before, and compared with the Halifax, a tortoise must be considered to be a rather swift species of animal. Why such a long delay?

I should like to have put that question to my local Leeds Building Society branch, but cannot because it has been closed after being taken over by the Halifax. Nor could I get any answer from the local Halifax, perhaps because they do not want to hear that question being asked once

again.
We simply do not believe that it should take over two years and three months to prepare for a vote in Febuary 1997," says Mr Lourie. Very many savers who are inconvenienced by the ultra-slow demutualisation will endorse his words, especially since a much more rapid change was originally envisaged. Is the Halifax in worse trouble than we had suspected? Whatever

ather late in the day building societies are beginning to express

societies are beginning to capture concern about their savers. After

the last base rate cut in March, providers

across the board reduced their savings

rates to a 50-year low. Now, after

Thursday's further 0.25 per cent cut,

several lenders claim that concern for

investors may stop them cutting the

borrowers' rate. But do not hold your

breath: lenders that have cut their

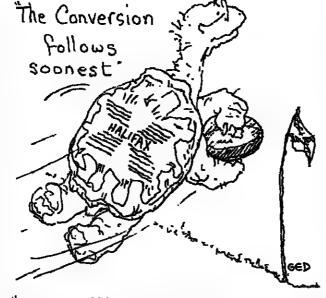
mortgage rates hint that they will have to

competition. Margaret Schwarz, chief

economist, said: "Competition is as fierce

"Savings rates are a key part of the

sacrifice savers yet again.



the cause - which has not been communicated to savers there is no doubt that many of them have been put out and some may have suffered losses as a result of the undue delay, which incidentally gives the lie to many reports in Weekend Money suggesting that savers would benefit if their money was in building societies that demutualised.

No one should assume that the Halifax is acting dishon-estly in prolonging the demutualisation, yet suspicions do grow with the inordinately lengthy process of conversion. Perhaps Halifax, when it eventually achieves the coveted status of bank, should adopt a coat of arms with the Euro-speak motto confiture demain to reflect its protracted evolution.

Yours faithfully WILLIAM SHOLTO, Laurandria, Tudor Road Barnet, Herts.

### Banks and junk mail

From Lieutenant-Colonel D.G. Tweed

Sir, I have been a customer of my bank since January 1935.
Today, I have received by first-class post a typed note (from a branch which does not hold my account) which said as follows:

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By telephone, I established that some branches are grouped together and my letter had been typed on anoth-

er's headed paper!
Lots of apologies; but it is now the policy of that bank to write such a letter because customers have been complaining of getting "junk mail" forwarded by their banks.

This must be a doubtful solution to the bank's problem. I am glad to say that my own branch manager will use his discretion and I hope the bank would reconsider its Yours faithfully, DAVID TWEED,

### Opper Old Park Lane, Farnham, Surrey.

Inefficiency over tax treatment by managers of friendly societies

From Mr J.P. Wharlton Sir, As another disappointed investor in "tax-free" friendly societies funds, I welcome your publicity (Friendly societies lose some friends, May 18) in the hope that it may encourage the manager to try harder. However, I was not encour-

aged by the fact that the Family Assurance Society recently had to reissue tax statements for annuity bonds because the rate of income tax had to be corrected (a change which took place last November!). The cost of this administra-

tive error will be borne. directly or indirectly, by the investors. Yours faithfully, JOHN WHARLTON, Myrtie Cottage, 6 Carclew Terrace. Devoran.

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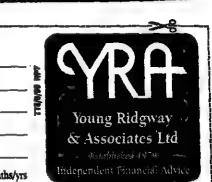
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### delicate balancing act that all societies are now having to perform. But a cut in mortgages will inevitably affect savings," Il other providers, who have yet to cut mortgage rates, claim they are sald a spokeswoman for the Woolwich. In trying to strike a balance between Abbey National, which initially anmortgage and savings rates. One area of to other investments, like equities." nounced that it would not lower its mortsavings that will be affected with or without lenders cutting rates is fixed-rate gage rate because it had 10 million savers to consider, said it is a matter of

Savers hit again as loan rates fall

is competition in the savings market from

unusual sources like the new Tesco card.

But the chances are that cuts will have to

come, though possibly only on certain

in mortgage lending means there is no

pressure to cut savings rates in any great

hurry, while the Coventry says that for

once they have several months to review

the situation, since the new mortgage rate

does not start until August.

Northern Rock claims its cost efficieny

accounts. John Gully, head of corporate affairs at the Portman, said: "The base rate cut will reduce the return societies can get on fixed-rate investments and that in the savings market as in mortgages. If

to follow. We are keenly aware that there rate products. Once we have filled the quota on our current bond, for example, we will have to bring our fixed rate down. So if you are thinking of getting a fixed rate, do it quickly."

Some providers believe the savings market has already been disrupted enough over the past year. John Milton, National Counties manager, said: "Merger speculation means some societies have benefited from short-term, small accounts. Meanwhile, there are many savers locked into societies waiting for their merger or conversion bonus. If other societies want to attract investors they will have to hold on to good rates. If they are not careful they could lose funds

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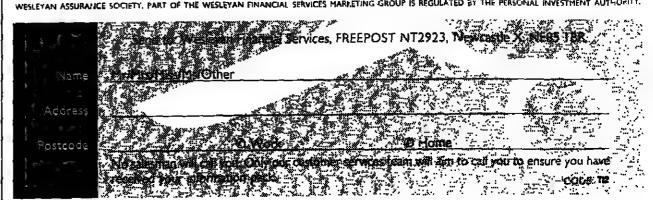
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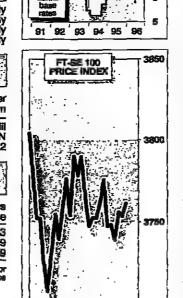
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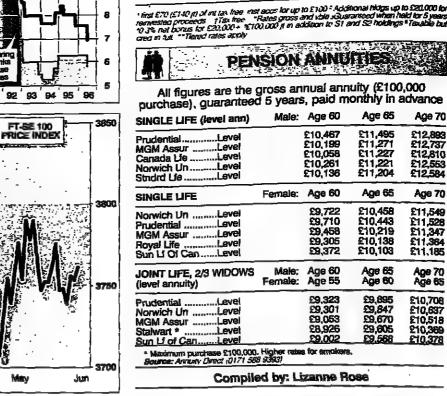
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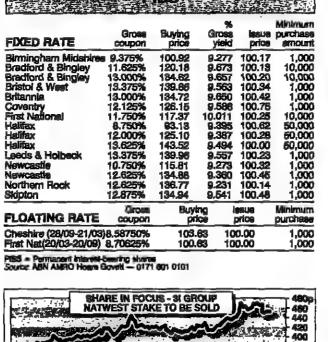
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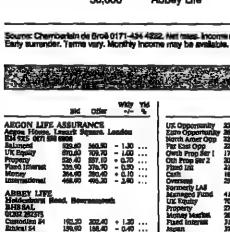
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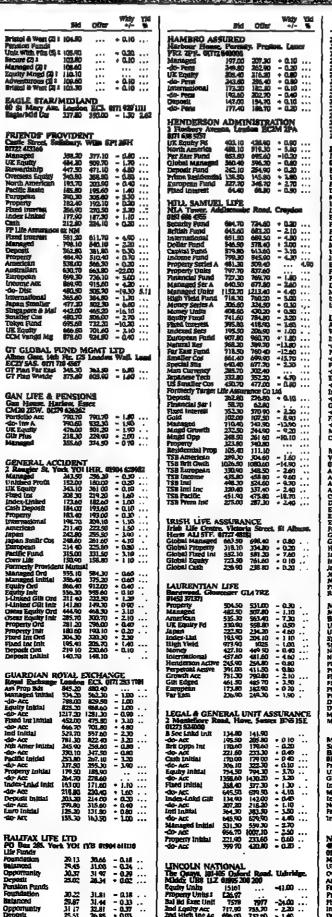
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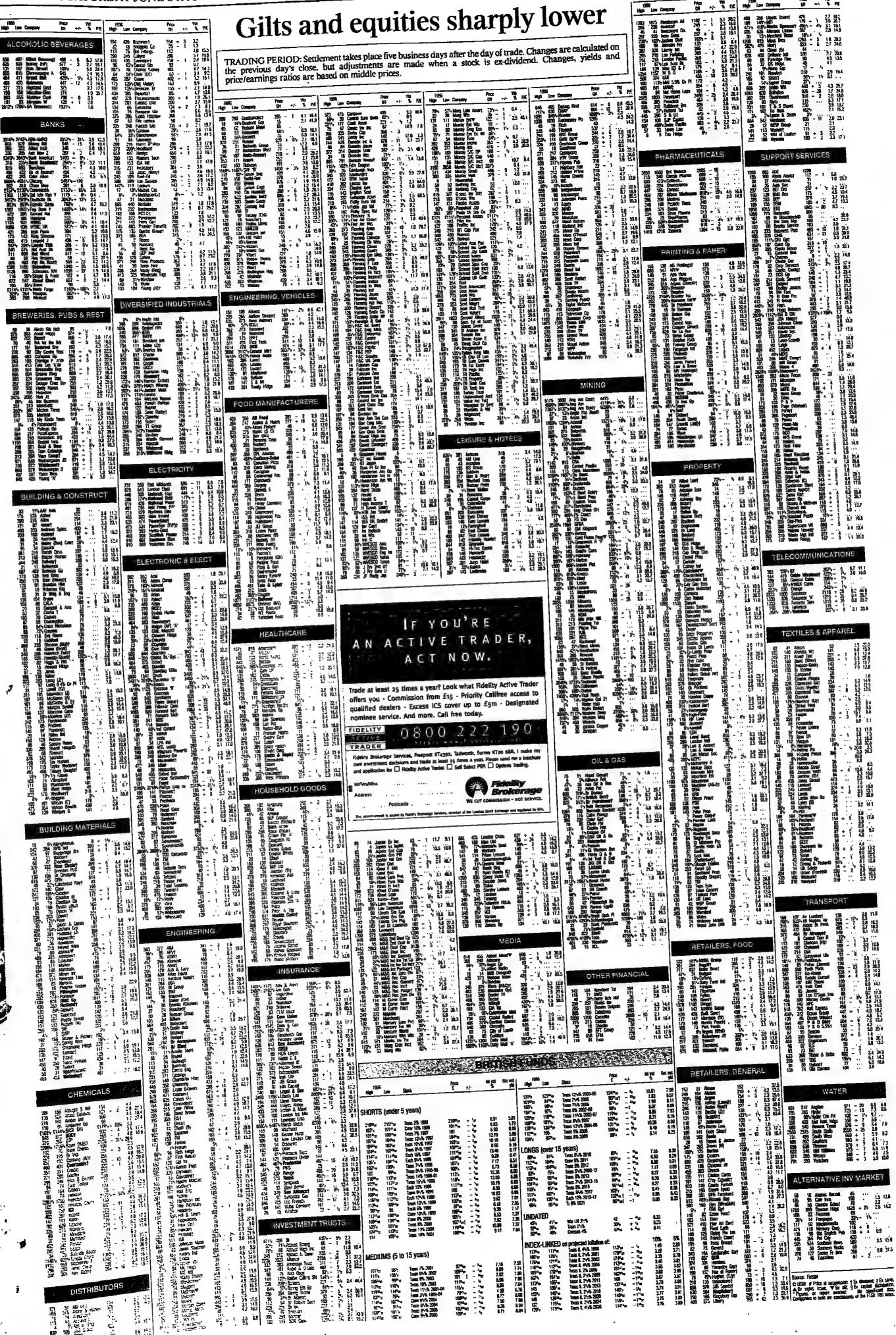












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# Finalists confound pundits as Giner and Wiggins lose

By JOHN HOPKINS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT

IF, YESTERDAY morning, canvassing had gone on for the most likely finalists in the Amateur Championship, then the favoured names would probably have been Robert Wiggins, the Englishman, and Ivo Giner, from Spain. Wiggins, who comes from Slaley Hall, outside Newcastle, had played well in two important amateur events in England and won a third before heading north, while the ballstriking and power of Giner were just two of his assets.

achievements exceeded his ambitions then Bladon's have. He started the week wanting to do no more than qualify for the matchplay stages of this historic event; now he is 36 holes away from winning it. The youthful ambitions of Fraser McLaughlan got no

So much for form. Giner had to leave the magnificent stage of the Ailsa course when he was defeated on the 19th hole of his quarter-final match by Roger Beames. And then Wiggins lost to Warren Bladon in a semi-final. pan in two weeks' time, but his putting, which had looked So, today's 36-hole final will suspiciously frail the previous be between Beames, a losing day, let him down on the last semi-finalist last year, and green when he took three of Bladon. If ever a man's them from 30 feet.

Beames's long, flowing method bore little resemblance to the flat, rather quick swing of Steve Bodenheimer in the other semi-final. The word "deliberate" was not adequate for Bodenheimer, who was slow over the ball. fiddling and fidgeting. But, while he would have got few marks for style, he would have scored many for accuracy,

Beames raced into a twohole lead. The American got one hole back by reaching the 7th in two during a run of holes in which Beames seemed to hit too many shots out to the right, but, on the 8th, Badenheimer three-putted. Beames, his power beginning to tell, moved strongly ahead and won by 3 and 2.

Bladon hit only four of the first 17 greens against Wiggins and took only ten putts on the front nine, twice chipping in. He was chipping and putting miraculously, probably using up a month's allocation of luck. He has a tendency when under pressure to drop his right shoulder and to push

shots out to the right.
The trouble was that Wiggins could not put him under pressure. Wiggins, who has a pre-shot routine similar to Badenheimer's in its regularity and complexity, only squared the match on the 14th when he holed a 30-foot putt. Before each putt, incidentally. he has four or five vigorous practice swings, as if he is giving the ball a wigging. A beautifully flighted iron on the 15th gave him the lead for the first time.

Bladon squared the match on the 17th by pitching to two feet and then it all descended into nervousness. Wiggins drove far too far right into the gorse, hacked out and hit his third 20 yards past the flag. Bladon, whose second shot rolled over the green, ap-peared to thin his pitch back so that the ball rolled 50 feet undistinguished finish. Wig-gins holed out in six. Bladon in

five. Bladon will need to be

Great Britain team trainer

lying joint fifth overnight on

Word Perfect, is more confi-

dent. "As long as I can keep

him between the flags, he'll

jump anything," he said, a

reference to the steering prob-

lems that he has encountered

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that they will, after all, be

hosting the 1998 World Eques-

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BOXING

Hamed set

to dazzle

NASEEM HAMED, the World Boxing Organisation

featherweight champion from Sheffield, will put on another

of his post-modern acts to-

night at the Newcastle Arena

York performing art, and Mortal Kombat-like finish-

ing moves will be shown on

American television with a

view to staging his future bouts in the United States.

even though he has not boxed at this level. His best result in 15 contests is a decision over

Peter Judson, of Manchester,

Lawal, Hamed's last oppo-

nent, who was swept away in

35 seconds. Alicea, said:

"Hamed is a good fighter, but

he has faults, and I intend to

Joe Fernandez, Alicea's

manager, said: "It will be like

hunter and rabbit - and

land talk, it is worth remembering that a Puerto Rican

should never be taken lightly.

Daniel will be the hunter." Before dismissing the claims as Alicea In Wonder-

expose them."

Alicea, however, is expected to put up a somewhat more spirited resistance than Said

Daniel Alicea, of Puerto Rico, is a worthy opponent,

Hamed's bricolage of Fellini-esque circus act, New

(Srikumar Sen writes).

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much more accurate today. Golf scores, page 45

### efforts on the world boys junior championships in Ja-Oldcorn still ahead as big names falter

BY MEL WEBB

IT WAS a sultry, muggy, Hong Kong-bumid sort of a day at the Alamo English Open yesterday, the sort of day on which things went on but nothing much happened. At the end of it, very little had been resolved, and nobody had made a significent move. the Forest of Arden was, all in all, an agreeable but essential-

ly unexciting place to be. Andrew Oldcorn was still in the lead, but he improved on his first-round position by only one shot. Oldcorn had a 71 on greens of dubious pedigree - "spooky", he called them - to reach the halfway point on 137, seven under par, a stroke ahead of Steen Tinning and Peter Mitchell. For such a high-profile

event, the tournament had a leaderboard that was surprisingly bereft of big names. Colin Montgomerie im-proved on his first-round 75 with a much more convincing 68, but, at one under par, has much to do. Ian Woosnam missed the cut and Sam

Torrance did likewise. Woosnam used a broomwielded once before in competition, and said that he will probably use it in the US Open next week. For Woosnam, martyr to a creaky back that he is, the benefit of

PIERRE DE BASTARD holds

a slender lead on the French-

bred Tresor du Cochet at the

end of the dressage phase of

the Bramham International

Three-Day Event in York-

On a day when the tests were as varied as the weather, only de Bastard, 32, from France, and Anne-Marie Ev-

ans, on Dutch Treat, - lying joint second with Blyth Tair of

New Zealand, the overnight

leader - achieved a score in

shire.

further than the quarter-finals

when Bladon won by one hole.

No praise is too high for the

gawky young Scot, 17, who

will now concentrate his

using the long putter is that he is able to practise - with a conventional putter, he is aching after 30 minutes, whereas the long job allowed him to putt for 2'2 hours on

Thursday evening.
After his round, Montgomerie took time off to beg to differ with Severiano Ballesteros, who said last week that the US Open was litle more than a driving contest, placing little reliance on chipping and putting. He might be right, but I would say that the US Masters depends on chipping and putting and not so much on driving it straight," he said. It is surely beyond coincidence that Montgomerie has a good record in the US Open, and Ballesteros has won the Mas-

ters twice. Montgomerie, positive character that he is, said that he was not writing himself off in this tournament, and that nobody else should, either. "It could have been a lot lower." he said. "I'll just have to do a bit better over the weekend."

"I'm definitely not looking and I think a couple of 67s will put me fairly close." Two 67s? if it was anybody else but the confident Montgomerie, one would have concluded that the heat had gone to his head.

EQUESTRIANISM

Frenchman holds slender lead

the 40s, Mary King, one of the

favourites, is lying in eighth place on King Solomon. Neither de Bastard, first

into the arena yesterday, nor

Evans is confident about re-

taining their place in the speed

and endurance phase today. De Bastard had two refusals

with Tresor du Cochet at the

water at Bienheim in Septem-

ber and, last month, broke his

collarbone in a fall at Saumur.

Dutch Treat is talented, but

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# Lady Carla stays in class of her own

BY JULIAN MUSCAT

WAFIC SAID'S recent decision to expand his racing interests has paid off handsomely. His Bosra Sham looked sure to be feted as Europe's outstanding threeyear-old filly after her 1,000 Guineas victory but Lady Carla, sporting the same livery, staked her own claim to the accolade when running away with the Vodafone Oaks at Epsom yesterday.
It was a crushing perfor-

mance from an animal bred for the occasion. And there

### **BIG-RACE RESULT**

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was added poignancy as Lady Carla distanced herself from Pricket, her former stablemate at Warren Place who was shuttled out to Dubai on Sheikh Mohammed's public divorce from Henry Cecil in October.

The outcome suggested that a fully-focused Cecil is more than a match for the expertise of Godolphin. "That was very exciting," the trainer said as he acknowledged a rapturous reception. "My filly had come to a peak and I knew she was ready for it, I can't tell you how much I'm enjoying the game



Eddery eases Lady Carla down after her runaway success in the Vodafone Oaks at Epsom yesterday

Indeed, but for Mark Of Esteem, the 2,000 Guineas winner, also joining Godol-phin's ranks, Cecil might have awoken this morning with the first three classics in the bag and Dushyantor, the Derby favourite, to saddle today.

Yet the Newmarket-based trainer is not complaining. In an extraordinary display, he dwelt almost as long on Pricket's second place as on Lady Carla's triumph. "In some ways it is sad to have beaten Pricket," Cecil said. "She was with us last season and is a full-sister to Diminuendo, our

1988 Oaks wistner, so she is like one of the family. I know it sounds selfish to think of her as one of mine because she has left, but I get fond of them all." Lady Carla's victory was

ruthlessly contrived by Pat Eddery, who has no peer when riding Epsom's switch-back circuit on a staying horse. The jockey struck for home early in the straight. with Pricket, the 7-4 favourite, hard on his heels. But Eddery, who fully appreciated his mount's capabilities, forced Pricket into a long, hard gallop to the winning post.

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The anticipated duel never materialised. "I knew mine wanted one and a half miles," Eddery said, "but when I looked behind me inside the final furlong I was amazed to see how far clear I was." Nine lengths was the official verdict but it could have been greater. In the end Pricket only just held the late flourish of Mezzogiorno for second, with Camporese finishing well for

Said, who gave 220,000 guineas for Lady Carla as a yearling, might actually have enjoyed the classic preamble.

Bosra Sham's Newmarket victory came only after a series of injury scares. But Cecil has fortified the naturalised Saudi businessman with a deal of optimism over Lady Carla."My trainer was very confident. This victory is all down to him. The way he trained her for this day is wonderful. He is a star and I

am very grateful to him." In turn, the racing community is grateful that owners like Said continue to support the British scene despite higher levels of prize-money on the

### RICHARD EVANS'S NAPS

Nap: DUSHYANTOR (2.25 Epsom) Next best: Dance So Suite (3.10 Epsom) Nap: TO THE ROOF (3.40 Epsom tomorrow)

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TOMORROW: Epsom: 2.00 Supercal. 2.35 Domitia. 3.10 Wayne County, 3.40 Crowded Avenue, 4.10 Deevee, 4.40 BLUE FLYER (nap). Uttoxeter: 2.15 Imlak. 2.50 Sovereign Niche. 3.25 Lemon's Mill, 3.55 Jawani. 4.25 Factor Ten. 4.55 Pembridge Place, 5.25 Northern Trial.

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Epsom

Soing: good igood to firm in places; 2.15 (5) 1. Granny's Pet (T. Culinn, 5-2 fey); 2. Hangover Square (4-1); 3. Joint Verture 14-1); 6 an. 3-b, 1 1 1 P. Cole Tore 52.50, 51 40, 62.20, DF: 56 70 CSF: \$11.43 2.80 (1m 4t 10yd) 1. Backgammon (J Ourn, 6-1): 2. Son Ot Sharp Snot (11-2): 3, karsmbi (20-1). Source Of Light 4-1 lav. 9 ran. Hd, 1/ J Old Toler ES-20, 21 40, 52 10, C7.70 OF 517:00 Tito: 5200.30 CSF-534 40, Tricast: 5530 13

\$20 (1m 11-byd) 1, Blombarg (D Harrison, 6-11-2, Betaviour (14-1); 3, Mr Martini (6-1), Rio Duvida 10-3 fav. 8 rain; 1vil. 23+ J Fanshava Tote 27-90 ST 80, 52-70, 52-40 OF \$44.60, CSF \$67.86

4.06 (fin et 10)(d) 1, Lady Carla (Pel Eddery, 100-30); 2, Prichet (7-4 fin); 3, Necroporno (14-1) 11 an. 81, bi H-Cool Tote £ 55 (5.7), 0; 27-40, £3.20, DF £4 (0 Tho; £30.90, CSF; £8 45 100: 20.90. Car 15 45 4.40 11m 114ycl 1, Donna Viola (W Woods, 9-1 Thundser's rep) 2. Hagneth (10-1): 3, Negragnag (14-1). Terestifue 5-2 15w, 1) nm. hli, 1) CWell Tore 173.50: 22 50, 24 80, 63.20 DF £141.80, Tno £795.30. CSF £84.87.

5.15 (Im 21 18yd) 1. Spirito Libro (M Baird, 6-1); 2. Trogan Risk (15-2); 3. Vota Va (12-1) Freequent 7-4 (av. 12 ran. 134, 3:1. C Alen. Tota 210 00; 52 60, 52 60, 54.80. 05 640 00 Tho 6208 50, CSF 683.68. Threast 5867 72.

Tricast: 1987 72. Jackpot: 123,698.70 (part won. Pool of 120,002.50 cerried forward to Epoom locky). Percepct: 11,319.50. Quadpot: 1223,80.

Catterick Bridge

Golng: good to firm, good in places 2:10 (5f) 1, Vax Star (S Drowns, 11-10 hay; 2, Double Park, 15-8), 3, Entwindox (3-1) 5 (atn. 1%, 1%), J. Spearing, Tole £1.90; £1-40, £1.10.0F; £2.10.CSF £3.86. 21-40, 21-70 OF: 22-70 CSF-23.86.
2-40 (5t) 1, Mister Josel (G Parlan, 11-2): 2.
Kimud (25-1), 3, Imp Express 18-1), 12-rail MR-0 ont Tell Anyona, Lady Caroline Lamb, Mileham Returb 94, 194. M Westerby Tote: 24-20; 22-90, 28-00, 21-30 OF 809-20 Truo, 287-80, CSF-858-02 Truosar 2043-57. Lady Caroline Lamb (3-1), Misterian Returb (13-2) and Dorit Tell Anyone (11-1) were withdrawn not under crees — rule 4 applies to all bals, decluct 40p in the pound.
3.10 (fm 5t-1754ch 1, Sudharach M) J

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3.40 (1m 3f 214yd) 1, Here Comes Herbie (P Fessey, 7-4 fav; 2, Calder King (2-1); 3, Pharly Duncer (5-1), 7 ran 11, 154 W Scorey Tota: \$2.90; \$1.20, \$2.30, DF: \$5.10, CSF: \$6.26.

25 Nr. CST. 23-40. 4.15 (7f) 1, Ivor's Deed (P Clarke, 11-8 ji-tsy), 2, Backhender (7-2), 3, Carmosa (11-8 ji-tsy), 5 ren. 12-1, nk. C Well. Tote: £1 90; £7 10, £2 90 DF. £5.60. CSF £7 16. 4.45 (St 21:2)dt 1. Sondarise (1 Wester, 5-1), 2. Aquado (3-1 lay); 3. Plum First (5-1) 10 can 21, 294. N Indian Tota, 17-50. 170, 21-40, 23,60 DF - 517,70. The 247-60 CSF, 521-57 Trigast, 590,30 Placepoit £12.70. Quadpoit £9.50.

Perth Going: good to firm

2.20 (2m 110yd) 1. Tulkano (A P McCoy. 11-10 lay, 2. Fergotien Empress (33-1), 3. Multins (6-1), 10 ran NR. Excherg, Tryph. Up And Running 2. 161 J. Janker Toter £1 90; £1.20, £5.70, £2.10 DF. £26.90 The £56.60 (25. 53.64

The 266-80 CSF, C33-64
3,00 GM4 1, Temple Garth (R Supple, 6-4
tay), 2, Carbbay, Rose (11-4), 3, White
Demond (9-4) 6 Jan NRL Le Denstan,
Wask, Court, 101, 1-4, P Beaumont, Tote,
E2-40, E1-10, E2-20, DF £4-40, CSF-55-62
3,30 2m of 110pd 1, Unor (A Dobbin, 5-2
tay); 2, Beaumont, 10-11, 3, Bitching Deem
(6-1), 9 san NRF Rocket Run, 1-91, 1-91, 1-91
Montach, Toter £3,20 £1-50, £1-80, £2-47
DF, £47-80 The £47-00, CSF: £25-47.
Tricast £125-63

4.00 (3m 110yd) 1. Blooming Spring (L. O'rèa,a. 7-2): 2. Microsoltemms (4-1), 3. Miprano (4-7-7-8») 5 ran MP Harnamin's Pet, Sylvan Celebration 13i. 16i Mira D Trummon Tote: \$4.30; \$1.80, \$2.30 DF \$7.60 CSF: \$1.50 \$1.80, \$2.30 DF

4.30 (2m) 1, Grouse-N-Heather JA Dob-bin. 2-1): 2, Gone By (8-4 lint): 3, Locanagean (5-2) 4 ran. 34, 41 P Montedh Tole (2-40 DF: £2.70 CSF: £4.72

5.00 (2m 10yd) 1, Keep Betting (G Cahil, 6-1); 2, Samelian (11-8 tev); 3, Tabu Lady (6-1); 6 ran, NF: Secretary of State, 314, 6 J Golder Tote, 55 90; \$1.80, \$1.50, DF: 22 90 CSF; \$13.74

Placepot: \$81,10, Quadpot: \$24,10.

Thursday's

late results

8.45 (77 2yc) 1, Knobbleenesse (I. Detton, 4-1 (i-text), 2, New Contany (11-1), 3, Duello (12-1) Wild Rice 4-1 (i-text) 12 ran 3 %, %, M. Chennon 7 tore 53 40; C1-90, 65 70, 84.60 DF: \$45.10, Troc \$147.30, CSF 24.60 DF: \$45.10, Troc \$147.30, CSF 245.72 Trockst. \$466 12.

7.15 (Im 2) 75yd) 1, Meradata (L. Detor), 11-4 lan); 2, Westbridge Ltd (5-1); 3, Western Sai (3-1); 6 nm, 1 %, 1 %, R Holinshead Tote: 22.80, 27.80, 22.90 DF- 25.80 CSF £15.18

26 80 CSF £15.16

7.46 IS1 I6pd) 1, Omaha City 8, Denon, 5-1; 2, Bold African (6-1); 3, Mujove (10-1) ten, 5 ran, Ni, nit, 8 Gutby Tole: £5.10; £2.20, £2.00 DF £19.30 CSF £29.04. After a stewards 'Inquity, result about 8,15 (1m 46 50yd) 1, Kalabo (1, Delton, 6-4 tan); 2, key To My Heart (2-1); 3, Juyush (7-1); 5 ran, 214, 334, 5 aead birt Starcor, Tole: £2.20; £7 40, £1.30 DF; £2.00, CSF £4.59, 8,45 [61 10yd); 1, Starctown (7 Dentey, 10-1); 2, The West (13-2); 3, U-No-Heavy (16-1) No Monkey Nuts 4-1 fev 11 ran Sh tot, 21, 3, J Berry, Tole: £16.10; £4.40, £2.00, £3.70 DF; £73.40, Trio, £482.00 CSF; £70.25 After a stemment's inquity, result moon.

incost 9.15 (Si 16)(c) 1. Bujun Rose (J Cultut. 7-1); 2, Lady Shenit (7-1); 3, Palacogate Jack (16-1). Mydons Mistake 9-4 law 12 ran. 190, et hd. M Blaneterd. Tote: 56:50, 92:60, 23.10, 54:20 OF: 541:50 Trior 52:60, 23.10, 54:20 OF: 541:50 Trior 52:82:90. CSF: 553:99 Trictist: 5717:95 Placepot: 5908:90. Chambrol: 5135:00.

Going: good to time
7.00 (2m at 110yd hole) 1, Mazzak (B.
6amby, Evens tant. 2, Birequest (20-1): 3,
Belyatia Castle (14-1) 7 am 18, 141 M
Harmond, Tote: £1 80, £1.10, £5.10 DF.
£12.20, £5F. £16.51.
7.30 (2m ch) 1, Hillwell: £0 Monts, £1-2; 2.
The Tank (25-1), 3, East Houston (6-2).
Rocket Flux 9-4 fav. £1 ran 15t. 3 B
Curls. Tote: £5.00 £1.80, £1.20, £1.80
DF: £57.80. Tito £181.00 £5F. £110.06.
Tracst. £615.67
8 00 2m 4t 110vd hollet 1, Talou Leoly (A.P.

Incast 1675.57 8,00 (2m 41 10) of holle 1 , Tabu Lady (AP McCoy, 7-1): 2 Level Edge (11-8 lav): 3, Masser Olifia House (5-2), 6 tan MR Linkether, 81, 14 W Plack, Tota: 15.70; 12.30, 51.60, DP: 13.90 CSF: 115.85

2230, 51,60, 19, 5230 Cart 124 or 830 (2m d.) 1, Secretary Of State (A P (AcCoy, 9-2), 2, Movan (8-11 feet; 3, Boring (10-1) 9 ran, 111, 25, D Arbutinot, Total 94-20, £130, £110, £2,80 DP £3,50, fino. £12,40, CSP £8,29

9.00 (2m 110)d helet 1. Boundament (P Carbeny, 13-2), 2, Teelpy/n'arch (9-2); 3, Charlestona (16-1) Triennum 9-4 fav 12 ran 71, 111 M Henmond. Tette: £11.00; 22-60, £1-80, £5-90. DF: £22-80 Trior £173.00 CSF: £33.21 Tric

Placepoit \$53.10.

Perth

Going: good to firm

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BERLIN BLUE 10 J Wate 9-0
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GS SHAWKSKY 7 P Howing 9-0
GS OCER 14 Balay 9-0
LBOTUS 14 A Balay 9-0 S-4 Hour Look, 3-1 Unites, 5-1 Mediator State, 8-1 Old Rooms, 10-1 Charles Parest

HAYDOCK PARK

2.10 Berlin Blue. 2.55 Pleasant Surprise, 3.30 Boilin Frank. 4.05 Hi Nod. 4.45 Future Prospect. 5.20 Fabillion.

DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2,10 Unitus.

2.10 HALSALL MAIDEN STAKES

(3-Y-0 £3,714 1m 30yd) (11 runners)

2.55 DOUGLAS RATED HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £8,304: 1m 2l 120yd) (12)

(3-7-U. 10.304. 1 m 21 (20)0) (12)

(1) 0-34 PLEASANT SURPRISE 25 (8.F) M Johnston 9-3 J Wenner

40 -132 LEAN 1ET 7 (1) 6) P Dole 9-2 F Lynch (5)

3 (11) 4-64 KALA SURPRISE 14 (5) C Smoth 9-2 A Grant

4 (8) 4184 SPILLO 22 (5) F L Dominin 9-13 Ultrary

5 (10) 5-90 TRUANCY 23 (7) M Bell 6-13 M A Grant

6 (8) 8-00 EXALTED 7 (8) M Praceto 9-8 G Dominin

6 (9) DEAL 150 T (8) M Praceto 9-8 G Dominin

7 (12) 12-4 SALMES 59 (5) J Franch 18-8 G Dominin

7 (12) 12-4 SALMES 59 (5) J Franch 18-8 J Beach (3)

6 (2) 000 PRINCE ROSKY 65 (5) Lurd Hunlangson 8-8 T START

9 (2) -400 MISKY PAY 31 (25) J Experimen 8-1 J Carroll

10 -400 MISKY PAY 31 (25) J Experimen 8-3 A Mischam

11 (1) 08-4 A-AREEM 218 H Thornson Joine 8-3 A Mischam

12 (1) 08-4 SALMEY FOSS 17 (88) C A Mischam

13 (1) 08-4 SALMEY FOSS 17 (89) H Cool 8-3 A Mischam

14 (1) 08-4 SALMEY FOSS 17 (89) H Cool 8-3 A Mischam

15 (1) 08-4 A-AREEM 218 H Thornson Joine 8-0 A Mischam

16 (1) 18-4 SALMEY FOSS 17 (87) A T Pracet Manter, Pleasang Suprise, Suprise Suprise, Suprise S 7-2 Lear Jel. 5-1 Sandy Floss. 6-1 Spillo, 7-1 Prince Winnley, Pleasant Suprise. 6-1 fails Supris. 18-1 Explaid, 12-1 others.

3.30 ROTHMANS ROYALS MORTH SOUTH CHALLENGE SERIES (Handicap: £7,103: 1m 30yd) (9)

1 (9) 01-0 MONNIS ARROW 77 (CD.F.G) Miss 5 Half 5 10-0 1 House 30 2 (7) 4-30 COURAGEOUS DANCER 16 (8F.S) B Heaterry 4-9-5 | 7 | 4-30 COURAMSEDUS DANCER 16 (MF.S) B Mestrum 4-3-6 | Stack (3) B7 | Stack (3

4.05 JOHN OF GAUNT STAKES (Listed race: £12,965: 7f 30yd) (10)

(B) 3-63 INZAR 7 (D.F.O.S.) P Cole 4-9-5 (B) 3321 VENTURE CAPITALIST 23 (F.G) D Nothells 7-9-5 Time 94 (C) 6362 BAND ON THE RUM 15 (COLOF F.G.S) B Michigan 9-9-13 S Smoths 84 [1] 4201 BRANSTON ABBY 7 (D.F.G.S) M Johnson 7-8-12 6 (7) 1142 CASTRANȚA 28 (D.F.G.S.) 8 Pating 6-8-12 . 1 Spraine 90 . 10) 3-35 ESPANȚARO 12 F.G. M Prescut 4-8-12 . 8 Duffeld 91 7 ISP 91-1 14 HDD 14 (D.F.G. M Campello 6-8-12 . 1 Charmata 91 40 13-4 FOREST CAT 12 (D.F.F.G.S.) Mc. J Cost 4-6-7 J Carroll 64 9 65-0 DOVERNACE 14 (C.F.G. A Batley 3-8-2 . . . M Forton 80 19 12) 011 MASTER BOOTS 15 (CD.G.S.) D Ludiu 3-8-2 D R McCabe 65 5-2 Branchion Aldry, 3-1 Carmonio, 3-2 Venture Copensists, Master Boote, 6-1 Iron. 12-1 Espanson, 14-1 16 Nod, 16-1 others

4.45 EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND LEYLAND MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-0; £3.415; 51) (6)

2 3 BOLD RISK 17 J Berry 9-0 J Carroll 11
CHAMBRIAN DUEST T Extendy 9-0 L Charmock
FILTER PROSPECT 15 M Joinston 9-0 J Weare
CO 0055 MASST BLUE 15 R Hobitshard 9-0 F Lycuth (2) 88
40 2265 SWIND 31 F Entre 9-0 M Fenton 96
17 24 TOUGH LEADER 14 B Hambury 9-0 J Swick (3) 94 6-4 Februs Prospect, 5-2 Balet Resk, 9-2 Senten, 8-1 Yough Lauter, 8-1 Carathann Chees, 16-1 Magic Blan

5.20 PENNY LANE HANDICAP (ES,453: 1m 6l) (12) 9-2 Sain Luce, 5-1 Fabilion, 6-1 Emiryone, 7-1 Thilpsain, 8-1 Sabras, Rigarus, 10-1 offers

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRANSPIS: H Cool., 19 winners from 57 numers, 23.7%; W Javis, 8 form 37, 25.6%; J Geodes, 29 from 90, 25.6%, Lord Huntanghon, 7 hours 32, 21.9%, 8 Hills, 14 hours 85, 21.5%, H Condy, 3 from 34, 21.4%

27 (1975): D. R. McCabe, 3 womers from 17 rides, 17.8%, T. Sprake, 5 from 39, 17.2%; S. Sanders, 5 from 30, 16.7%, R. Hills, 16 from 98, 16.2%, G. Duffjeld, 11 from 72, 15.3%, C. Putter, 5 from 37, 13.5%

2.30 (3m 110yd hdie) 1. Tough Test (3 Fenton, 3-1); 2. Necholas Plant (4-1), 3. Scrabo View (10-1) Shughit Son 2-1 km, 5 ran MR. Martington 12, 8t. Ms. J Goodlellow Tote, 24.40, 21.80, 21.90 DF 27.50 CSF, 213.25. BUNKERED PIRST TIME: Doncaster: 3 55 Wee Hope Epsem: 145 Saa Thurties: Haydook Park: 2.55 Pleasant Surprise, Villaggetura, Newmarker: 7.05 Aethra 8.35 Classic: Leader Southwell: 8.15 Ped Valeren 8.45 High Boax, Seeta Time. Workerhampton: 8 DO Super High 8.30 Klpspinger Worcester: 3.00 Hidden Planer, Mr Poppleton

### NEWMARKET

Make A Stand. 7.05 Akhle. 7.35 Jerry Cutrona.
 Balpere, 8.35 Master Charter. 9.05 Hen Harrier.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS

5.40 NEWMARKET LADIES DERBY (Handicap, £5.127: 1m 4l) (23 runners)

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7.05 CECH. BOYD ROCHFORT MAIDEN SKY STAKES (3-Y-O littles: £4,542, 1m 20 (11) ADEL ADE 1. Commit 8-11 2-5 AETHRA 33 (B.BF) Lady Harrist 8-71 4 AIGHA 11 H Cetal 8-11 P Returnson 7
In 1 Section 5
... M Hills 6
... A Minckey 2
... A Hills 8 UDSSU ATTAINS OF THAT IS THE STATE OF THE ST L Detect 10 Tires 11 J Read 4 A Studence 1 , R Darley 3

7.35 NGK SPARK PLUGS HANDICAP (3-Y-0; £4,659; 61) (8)

5-2 Akhb., 7-2 Heart 9-2 Dancing Debut. 5-1 Bernnist, 8-1 Adalyide, 12-1 Dahminnie, 14-1 Others.

SKY 

1 Veiled Dancer, 10-1

8.05 WALTER EARL SELLING SKY STAKES (3-Y-D: £3,785: 1m) (10) 1 2102 DANICO 14 (0.5.5 Wittense 9.2
2 DO-D CASSIO CHIP 77 T Clemen 8-11
3 2000 CLASSIC WICTION Y 18.9 R Henre 8-11
3 0200 CLASSIC WICTION Y 18.9 R Henre 8-11
5 03-0 BALFARE 137 (87-6) N Callaghan 3-6
6 DO-D HOME COOKY 70 J Scraylo 8-6
7 33 LEMAN 3 DY 19 (8) R Guest 8-6
8 0400 MY (800 10 (6) N TRACE 3-8
8 0400 MY (800 10 (6) N TRACE 3-8
9 0-30 SHERMODD 26 N ROKY 8-6
10 TITCHWELL LASS J Borks 8-6 . K (Darley & K Marks 6 A Mackay 2 Pat Eddery 4 G Duffeld 9 L Deptor 3

7-4 Corrector Quant 3-7 Dance, 5-1 Balgary, 7-1 Classic Victory, 8-1 My Kind 12-1 Linda's Joy 14-1 others. 8.35 BAILETS TRISH CREAM LIQUEUR SKY HANDICAP (£8,155. 1m) (11) 1 03-0 TOLUDURS RIMERA 137 (CD.F.S) 1 Perce 6-9-13 . S Burdwell 5 2 0031 SABAN 7 (B.CD.F.G) D Morrs 7-9-7 . . . . . C Hodgson 4 3 -112 MASTER CHARTER 38 (D.B.F.F.G) Mrs J Portsdon 4-9-5

3-1 Master Charrer, 7-2 Sertan, 5-1 Manurego, 6-1 Incadable, 8-1 Wed Palm, 19-1 Toutours Rivers, Classic Leader 12-1 others.

9.05 FRANK BUTTERS MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O fillies: £4,386; 6f) (5)

BARY JANE R Goest 8-17 M Wighten 7
PAKKANIYAH 15 D Motley 8-17 R Hills 5
WEN HARRIER J Dundop 8-17 K Darley 4
LISTRAN LODGE N Calaghan 8-11 L Dettoi 3
ROCK FARTASY C Murry 8-11 C Hodgson 2 4-5 Hallacomyain, 5-2 Hen Harmer, 5-1 Lectrim Locige, 12-1 Baby Jane, Rock Factory

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRANSPS: M Beetry, 3 winners from S runners, 60.0%, H Cecil, 60 from 259, 23.2%, P Walnym, 13 from 81, 16.0%, J Gozden, 51 from 344 14.8%, D Kipuley 8 from 55, 14.5%, L Cumani, 31 from 255 JOCKEYS: Par Edder, 111 menters from 484 rides, 22.9%, B P. McCabe, 11 from 65 16.5% C Hodgsan, 7 from 42 16.7%, L Dedon, 7 from 516, 14.5%, J Stack, 6 from 45, 18.3%, M Hills, 33 from 321, 10.3%.

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# Classic breeding can point way for Dushyantor

THE form book may point to the most open Vodafone Derby for years at Epsom this afternoon, but the bloodlines of the 21 runners tell a different story. Quite simply, DUSHYANTOR was born to race at Epsom and win the world's most famous classic.

Breeding is not everything. but the stamina and class possessed by the son of Sadler's Wells, combined with his progressive form, convince me the Khaled Abdulla-owned colt can provide Henry Cecil and Pat Eddery with their fourth success in the Blue

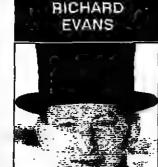
Dushyantor's lineage would have Debretts equine division purring with pleasure. His mother and grandmother were second in the Oaks, while his great grandmother, Noblesse, went one better in

His half-brother, Commander in Chief, won the Derby for the same connections three years ago while Rainbow Quest, closely related on his dam's side, won the group one Coronation Cup at Epsom in 1985. Dushyantor's paternal grandfather, the mighty Northern Dancer, sired Derby winners in Nijinsky, The Minstrel and Secreto. The family motto might read: To The Epsom Downs Born.

Conceived in Ireland but born in Kentucky on April II. 1993, it was not long before the bay colt impressed all who saw him. With Cecil having trained Commander In Chief. he was always favourite to inherit the most admired of Abdulla's yearlings and the ten-times champion trainer has long considered him his main Derby hope.

He ran once as a two-yearold, winning in a style which suggested better to come. This season. Dushvantor won a three-runner affair at Newmarket, before just failing to catch Glory Of Dancer in a falselv-run Dante Stakes.

His form and time performances are not outstanding. However, they were achieved in races not run to suit him.



Racing Journalist of the Year

Today, for the first time, he will have an end-to-end gallop over a stiff mile and a half, which will see the Derby favourite come into his ele-

Significantly, Dushyantor is considered to have more tactical speed than Commander in Chief. A notoriously lazy worker at home, he sparkled earlier this week after Cecil deliberately walked him through the town at Newmarket on the way to the gallops. The confidence behind

THE EXPERTS VIEW

RICHARD EVANS 1, DUSHYANTOR 2, Mystic Night

JULIAN MUSCAT 1, DUSHYANTOR 2, Double Lest 3, Busy Flight

GERALD HUBBARD 1. EVEN TOP

3, Busy Flight

THUNDERER 1, STORM TROOPER higher and, having recommended him two months ago when on offer at 33-1, I believe he will win decisively.

Strict adherents to the form book will opt for Even Top. runner-up in the 2,000 Guineas. The Newmarket classic was undeniably the best Derby trial and Mark Tompkins's unfashionably bred colt should lack nothing in stamina. However, he is a heavy-topped horse who looked ill at ease running into the Dip at Newmarket and is not certain to be suited by Epsom's cambers and undulations. His preparation has also been interrupted by a poisoned

Alhaarth, the ante-post favourite throughout the winter. has disappointed this season. Although reported to have worked pleasingly of late, he is not certain to stay a mile and a half and his rider, Willie Carson, is hardly brimming with confidence

Glory Of Dancer best Dushyantor in the Dante Stakes, but Paul Kelleway's runner has had operations to both front ankles and could be the fancied runner most inconvenienced by the track and fast ground.

Those looking for an eachway interest may like to consider three runners at more generous prices. Jack Jennings was only a length behind Dushyantor at York, is bred to stay the trip and looks over-priced at 25-1.

Mystic Knight has improved with every race during his career and, after winning the Lingfield Derby Trial. could easily be in the shakeup. Roger Charlton, who won the race with Quest For Fame in 1990, has been pleased with his recent work and the colt will love the fast ground.

St Mawes is another to have thrived since being placed in three significant trials and, given his stamina, Lord Swaythling's colt could reach

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# Epsom's first lady comes under orders

A woman rides in the Derby for the first time. Alex Greaves is keen to do herself justice

time, finishing fifth in a handicap on Pride Of Pendle. Nobody paid me much attention that day. This year has been different to say the least. The phone basn't stopped ringing for the last fortnight.
Since I married David

Nicholls two years ago, I've retained my maiden name in racing circles, but that's just because its easier. Outside the racecourse I'm Mrs Nicholls. I'm not trying to make any particular point by being the first woman to ride in the Derby, and I'm no feminist. I'm just lucky to have been offered the ride.

Portuguese Lil was sent to David last summer, and even though I knew then that the intention was to run her in the Derby, it still hasn't sunk in that I'm going to make history today. Maybe I'll be a bag of nerves come 2 o'clock, but I'm just going out there to do my best and enjoy it, as it will probably be the only chance I get. I won't be tucking into a

huge breakfast this morning - just a cup of coffee - but that won't be because of nerves. I'm not one of the lucky ones that can eat anything, and it is a constant battle to maintain my riding weight at 8st 4lb. The long cold spell hasn't belped on that front because it has reduced my chances to sweat the weight off, but now the warmer weather has arrived it should get a little easier.

David and I have stayed in a hotel in Epsom for the last two nights, which we wouldn't usually do, but we had to be here in time for yesterday morning's canter and it's a long way from our yard at Sessay, in North Yorkshire, to Epsom.

We'll meet the owners midmorning and then go down to the course and finalise our tactics. The Derby is my first ride today, so I will not start getting ready until about one. There is a Ladies' changing room at Epsom, but I will be the only jockey using it so it should be the quietest place



Greaves and her Derby ride, Portuguese Lil, enjoy the Epsom sunshine before their big challenge

on the course. I won't hang about there: I'll change as quickly as possible and head outside to join the other

Portuguese Lil has plenty of pace, so she should be able to hold her own in the early stages. The fast ground won't bother her at all, and she's bred to stay, being by Master Willie, who was runner-up in the 1980 Derby, out of a mare who was by the 1977 Derby winner, The Minstrel.

I cantered Portuguese Lil around Tattenham Corner yesterday morning, although we had to go wide around the bend as the inside of the track was dolled off. She's a wellshe'll handle the track at

Epsom is a tricky course and the cambers are deceptive. I've spoken to several of the other jockeys with Derby

experience, in particular Frankie Dettori and the Hills ON MONDAY

Read Alex Greaves

exclusively in The Times on Monday

twins, and watched videos of as many past Derbys as possible. I'm pretty well prepared, aithough they tell me that the first two furlongs will be the fastest I've ever gone. I know a lot of people think

Portuguese Lil is not good enough to run in the Derby, but they said the same before the 1,000 Guineas and we beat three home. Also, she's not the lowest-rated horse in the race — Clive Brittain's Spartan Heartbeat is officialworse. I certainly don't think we'll be disgraced.

I've ridden horses since I was three or four but it was never my ambition to be a jockey. I started working at David Barron's yard near Thirsk because my mother, Val, was assistant trainer there. I rode my first winner when I was 21 - on Andrew's First on the all-weather track at Southwell in December

100 races this year, but only two have been for outside stables, which is a shame.

It's difficult for girls to make it as jockeys in Britain. We make the best of the chances we get but they're hard to find. I think that the new whip rules, which limit its use, have belped to put the emphasis on ability rather than strength and, hopefully, that will make things easier. I feel that I can hold my own, and I'm not looking for any favours from the lads.

Unless we win today, I think we'll just have a quiet meal with the owners tonight. I've got to ride again

I've ridden in more than Interview: Robert Wright



TUESDAY: Redger (2.15). Sellebury

(6.30). Sandown Park (2.10), Southwell (2.00). Sandown Park (2.15), Goodwood (6.35), Market Resert (6.50). SATURDAY: York (C4, 1.45), Sandown (1.50), Beth (2.00), Market Rasert (2.10), Lingfield Park (6.00), Leicester (6.45).

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1.45 Bowden Rose. 2.25 Storm Trooper, 3.10 Casual Water, 3.50 Hoh Express. 4.25 Singspiel. 5.00 Premier Bay, 5.30 ALMUSHTARAK (nap). Our Newmarkst Correspondent: 2.25 Dushyantor. 4.25 SINGSPIEL (nap).

GOING: GOOD DRAW: 5F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST TOTE JACKPOT MEETING

1,45 VODAPAGE HANDICAP (£18,400: 6f) (17 nunners)

FORM FOCUS

CENNOX LEWIS 2 Sh of 13 to Montseret in a handicap at Goodwood (6f. good) with TWICE AS SHARP (1fb worse oil) 13-h 8th and SHIKARI'S SON 17-12th LAGO DI VARIANO nack 2nd oil 11 to Antol in a handicap at Chester (6f. good) penultrates statish THE HARPY FOX (2b better oil) 25/h 5th 1My BEST WALENTINE 43/h 5th of 11 to Orange Place in a handicap at Goodwood (7f. good to self) with 98-A THURDER (2b better oil) 12/h 10/h BOWOEN ROSE 5/l 2nd of 12 to Top Benana in a handicap at Newmarker (6f. good to firm) with SWEET MAGIC (11b better oil) 11/h 5th SELHURSTPARK FLYER 3 3nd of 21 to better in a handicap at Thirsh (6f. good to firm) with MY BEST VALENTING (11b worse oil) 6/11th and SHAMANIC (2b better oil) 11/170h (11b worse oil) 6/11th and SHAMANIC (2b better oil) 11/170h THATCHERELLA beat Doresk Amasim 5/h a 14-hunner handicap at Newbury (8f. soft with BOWOEN ROSE (8bb better oil) 7/H 4th and GOUDEN POUND (12b better oil) 5/4 (9th Selection: SOWOEN FOSE

2.25 VODAFONE DERBY STAKES (Group I. 3-Y-O: £523,100: 1m 4f 10yd) (21 runners) RUNNERS AND RIDERS -- SEE FACING PAGE

3.10 PAKNET TOTE DIRECT

(£10,796: 1m 4f 10yd) (14) 301 (4) 6-00 CEDEZ LE PASSAGE 61 (G) / Com J12 (31 -580 WESTERN PLAYBOY 5 (87) R Haman 44-5 Date O'Nell (3) 47 313 (12) 2522 HATTANFEH 7 (6) Also B Sandes 5-5-1 --- All Band 60 314 (2) -005 ACHILLES HEEL 4 (0.5) C Allen 5-7-10 -- Martin Duryles 77 7-2 Dance So Suite, 4-1 Rosan Cloves, 5-1 Country Lever, 6-1 Adds Counter 8-1 Ma Philite Anglisca, 12-1 Hectorick, 14-1 others.

FORM FOCUS

DANCE SO SUITE best Paradise Waters 2\*4 in 11-numer handicap at Newbury (Im 41, good to firm). ARTIC COURTER short-head 2\*nd of 15 to Nordensk (placings reversed) in handicap at Kempton (1m 41, good to firm). CASUAL WATER neck and short-head 3\*nd of 19 to Bushing Flame in handicap at Doncaser (1m 41, good to firm) on penuturatis start with BENFLEET (7to betier off) 19 4 4th GLOBAL DANCER, won this face lest year, 8'sli 6th of 15 to Ment in handicap at Linglistd (AW, 1m 41) on penuturatis start. TOY PRINCESS best effort this season, best HATTAREH XII in 16-numer handicap at Folkestone (1m 71 92yd, good to firm). ROKSIN CLOVER best General Mouldar 2\*14 in 14-numer handicap at Folkestone (1m 71 92yd, good to firm). ROKSIN CLOVER best denied for this MAPETTE ANGLAISE 2\*1.3\*nd of 13 to Routontains in handicap at Chapstow (1m 41, good to soft) COUNTRY LOVER best Astrop For Kings 4t in 8-numer cleanurer at Goodwood (1m 21, good to soft)

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4.25 VOCAFONE CORONATION CUP (Group t: £106,560: 1m 4f 10yd) (4)

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DE QUEST 6% 4th of 7 to Percutant in group it Prix d'Hadouville à Longchamp (1m 4), good to fam). PLPASHMENT 1/2 2nd of 4 to Secrament in group il Prix Joan de Chaudersty at Desuville (1m 4) 10/04, good 5 NingSPIEL completed double, best Plaudets 3 in 11-inner group il T G1 Friday's Cordon Richards States at 11-inner group il T G1 Friday's Gordon Richards States as Sandown (1m 22, good) with PLRASHMENT II 41. APPAM 14 inner neck 3rd of 10 to Vatanour in group I Prix Geney at Longchamp (1m 21 10/04, good to fam).

Selection: SWAM

5.00 YODATA WOODCOTE STAKES (Listed race: 2-Y-0: £13,680: 6f) (6)

11-4 Pears Raine, 7-2 Cody Repair, 4-1 Berlington House, 5-2 Premier Ray, 5-1 February 5-1 Zammey Garcia

5.30 VODACOM CONDITIONS STAKES 

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRUMERS: H. Ceci., 4 yearners, from 11 matters, 26,4%; Lord Nanderglan, 7 fews 21, 23,3%; J. Dunter, 7 fews 21, 25,5%, A. Fabre, 171, 37 fews 13, 22,1%; J. Berry, 7 fews 37, 18,9%; M. Stanle, 8 feys 49, 16,3%.

5-4 Parmoz, 7-2 King Of Puni, 5-1 Vigrany Time, 6-1 Prents Ca., 12-1 Abrushtazi. 14-1 Lucky Archer, 25-1 Vindonde Elsie.

☐ David Loder's South Salem (Julie Krone) tackles the Belmont Stakes in New York today.

# Swain looks first choice

**CHANNEL 4** 

1.45: Stakes should be kept to a minimum in this cavalry charge but Bowden Rose makes some appeal on her second to Top Banana over five furlongs at Newmarket seven days ago. Michael Blanshard's sprinter is defintely better over today's six furlongs, having won four times last year over the distance, including over Brighton's undulating track.

Lennox Lewis is particularly well handicapped on his best form but has not won since his two-year-old days and the inform Thatcheralla -- second in this race last year - could be a bigger danger.

2.25: see above.

THUNDERER

3.10: Paul Cole entered the inform Dance So Suite for yesterday's much tougher rated stakes. Despite not being the best handicapped runner in this race, he looks well



ON TELEVISION worth a bet in an uncompeti-

tive race. The four-year-old gelding won with the minimum of fuss from Paradise Waters at Newbury three weeks ago, and the runner-up franked the form by winning at Bath recently. Aimee Cook is one of the best woman riders and, with Country Lover scoring with ease at Goodwood recently. Lord Huntingdon's runner should be thereabouts along with

3.50: Hugwity will be a leading fancy after completing a

hat-trick at Goodwood, despite being stepped back in trip. Returned to his best distance today. Ben Hanbury's runner is sure to give a good account. Hardy Dancer was beaten less than two lengths by Hugwity at Chester and is 7lb better off. However, some value might be had with Tertium, who won at Beverley in May then improved again. behind Migwar at Redcar 12

4.25: André Fabre looks likely to enhance his outstanding record in the Coronation Cup. but with which runner? Swain, third in the Prix de L'Arc de Triomphe last year, ran particularly well on his seasonal reappearance over an inadequate trip and is marginally preferred to De

days ago. Martyn Wane's runner did not have a clear

run until the final furions and

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2.00 VODAFONE DERBY DAY HANDICAP (£4,110: 2m 110yd) (9 runners) 2 644 GREYCOLT 30Y 14 (F) 8 Meeton 4-9.5 ... JF Egan 3
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4 4-64 AMARIGE 22 (D.F.) M Britain 6-9.5 ... D Wingli Gil 8
5 4120 GREEK MIGHT OUT 39 (F.6) J Eyes 5-6.3 ... M Histry (5) 2
6 0-4 CALCANDO 22 E Waynes 4-7-11 ... P Fecsor (5) 7
7 0-030 GREAT ORATION 28 (D.F.) F Waters 7-7-11 ... J Farming 1
8 70- CANSPELL 12 (B.G.) W Story 5-7-10 ... Una Wards (7) 5
9 44-0 LONGCROFT 3 (F) A Hogy 4-7-18 ... M Kennely 7
7-4 Raigel Expression, 9-2 Greecol Bay, 5-1 Gress Hight Out, 6-1 Calcando, 10-1
Great Outlier, Congroot, 12-1 Annarge, 14-1 often;

2.50 STONES BITTER HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £7,505: 1m) (7) 

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4-5 Bayrak, 3-1 Diego, 4-1 Ela Man Howa, 12-1 Genesis Four 5.10 KNOWSLEY HANDICAP

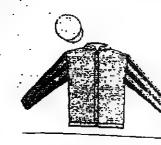
6-1 Dancallo, 9-2 Moon Scale, 5-1 You Dry, 6-1 Systemore Lodge, 8-1 others. TRANERS: R Amestrong, 12 warners from 41 numers, 29.3%, H Ceck, 21 Jum 82, 25.6%, D Flaydh Jones, 4 from 17, 23.5%, M Stoute, 19 from 93, 20.4%, P Cole 10 from 51, 19.6%, OCKEYS: P McCabe, 4 winners from 14 rides, 28.6%, H Price, 5 from 21, 23.6%, O Boyes, 3 from 19, 15.8%, 6 Carter, 8 from 76, 10.5%, M Carlysie 6 from 77, 10.4%, Only qualifiers.

There are three British challengers for tomorrow's Prix de Diane Hermes (French Oaks) at Chantilly - Matiya. Solar Crystal and Sil Sila. They face a strong home team. headed by Luna Wells and Miss Tahiti, both trained by André Fabre.

50/1 Clever Cliche 66/1 Prince of My H. 109/1 Zaforum 250/1 Achame 250/1 Classic Eagle 250/1 Spartan Heart 250/1 Teatle You can also bet on Euro '96 on 0990 524 524. Ladbrokes For The Derby, Ladbrokes are favourite.

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# FOLLOW YOUR DERBY FANCY



1 ACHARNE

Jockey: Warren O'Connor Trainer Clive Brittain — never afraid of sending out long-shots in big races — embarks on another ambitious classic mission. Last of six on latest start, however, suggests a successful outcome is unlikely. For optimists only. Betting: 200-1

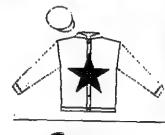


2 ALHAARTH

Jockey: Wilfie Carson Fallen hero seeks redemption. Top two-year-old in Europe last year, beaten both starts this time round. Represents three-time Derby-winning team of Dick Hern and Carson but has to disprove thoughts that best lays are already behind him. Betting: 6-1



**3 BUSY FLIGHT** Jockey: Cash Asmussen Asmussen and trainer Ban Asmussen and trainer Barry Hills teamed up to take second with Blue Stag six years ago, but this looks a tougher assignment with a runner yet to win a race of any description. Some Interest at big prices despite apparently flying high, Betting: 33-1



Jockey: David Harrison
Not really. Expensive — cost
\$385,000 as a yearling — and
improving, at least judged on two
recent victories, but still short of the
standard required here. Peter
Chapple-Hyam trained Dr Devious
to win In 1992. Outside possibilities.

4 CHIEF CONTENDER

5 CLASSIC EAGLE Jockey: Allan Mackey Won minor race at Chepstow on soft ground last season but has failed to beat anything on two runs this term. Little evidence in his tavour, plenty of minus points. An eagle unlikely to land in the



CLEVER CLICHE

inner's enclosure.

Betting: 250-1

Jockey: Richard Hughes Third string, and by some way behind Dushyantor and Storm Trooper, In trainer Henry Cecil's team. Made a good impression when winning a Nottingham maiden but limitations exposed since. Difficult to enthuse about.



7 DOUBLE LEAF

Jockey: John Murtagh
Carries trainer Michael Stoute's
hopes of a third Derby after the
withdrawal of Dr Massini. Quietly
backed (was generally 33-1 less
than a fortnight ago) on the strength
of fair form in classic trials. Irish
champion Murtagh rides. Betting: 10-1



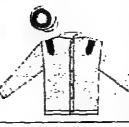
GUIDE TO OUR IN-LINE RACECARD

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08	(4)	1-12	OUSKYANTOR 24 (F) (K Abdula) H Cacil 9-0	Pat Eddery
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11	(7)	1643-33	JACK JENNINGS 24 (F) (6 Whitzler) B McMalana 9-0 (ch c Deploy - Lareyna)	
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18	(17)	212-106	STORM TROOPER 24 (F,S) (F Silman) H Cecil 9-0	M.J.Kinane
19	(17)	41-34	TASDID 28 (F) (Hundan Al-Maldoum) K Prendergast (Ire) 9-0	W J Supple
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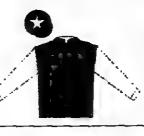
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Ladkrokes: 3-2 Dushyantor, 6-1 Albaarth, Even Top, Glory Of Dancer, Storm Trooper, 7-1 Shaanit, 12-1 Double Leaf, 14-1 Mystic Knight, 16-1 St Manues, 20-1 Chief Contender 25-3 Busy Flight, Jack Jennings, 33-1 Shantou, 50-1 Others. 1995: LAMMSTARRA 9-D W R Swinborn (14-1) S.bin Survor 15 ran



3.7 SHAAMIT

Jockey: Michael Hills Trainer William Haggas's father-in-law Lester Piggott, rode nine Derby winners, so he will not lack for good advice. Niggling injuries mean he has not raced this season, but last year's winner, Lammtarra, was also making his seasonal debut. Betting: 10-1



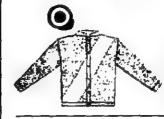
UOTINAHS E: Jockey: Frankle Dettorl Minor outpost in the racing empire of the world's leading owner, Shelkh Mohammed, Although John Gosden eaddled Tamure and Presenting to finish second and third last year, he has only a stim chance of success

Betting: 33-1



18 SPARTAN HEARTBEAT

Jockey: Mark Birch
Joins Achame in trainer Clive
Brittain's optimistic challenge, and
his prospects are equally bleak.
Three defeats in small races this
season are an unlikely recipe for
classic success. Birch makes his
Detay debut at the age of 46. Derby debut at the age of 46. Betting: 250-1



17 ST MAWES

Jockey: Richard Quinn
United appeal on record of three
runs, three defeats this term.
Reportedly working well, though,
and owner considers him a lively
each-way prospect. Trainer John
Dunlop aims for third Derby Betting: 20-1



16 STORM TROOPER

Jockey: Michael Kinane
Henry Cecil's second string to
Dushyantor. Looked good when
winning at Newmarket in April,
beaten twice in high-class company
since. Owner Fahd Salman won
with Generous in 1991. Kinane is
big-race jockey par excellence. Setting: 6-1



19 TASDID Jockey: Willie Supple Lone irish challenger. Only ordinary form in two starts over a mile this season, and breeding suggests step up in trip could pose a problem. Remote prospects of ending Irish drought streching back to Secreto (1984).

Betting: 200-1

Setting: 56-1



23 ZAFORUM Jockey: Dane O'Neill Bold challenge from local trainer Les Montague Hall. Yet to win a race of any description and his iong odds are a fair summary of his modest prospects. O'Neill, an apprentice, is enjoying an



**R DUSHYANTOR** 

Jockey: Pet Eddery Clear form chance on second to owner has won two Derbys, trainer and jockey three spiece. Hait-brother to Commander in Chief, the 1993 winner. Leading player.



COLORY OF DANCER

Jockey: Olivier Pesiller York win from Dushyantor thrust him into the Derby spotlight. Certainly talented, but there are his first Derby ride on a track which has often proved unkind to his fellow French riders.



12 MYSTIC KNIGHT

Jockey: Kevin Darley Has a lough act to follow as trainer Roger Charlton's only previous runner, Quest For Fame, won six years ago. Failed to create much of a stir with victory in the Lingfield Derby Trial but Chariton believes his charge has been underestimated. Betting: 16-1



37 PORTUGUESE LIL

Jockey: Alex Greaves Rank outsider notable only as the vehicle for Alex Greaves to become the first woman to ride in the Derby. Handicap defeat last time out offer: no encouragement. Fairytales may come true, but hard to see it in this



g EVEN TOP Jockey: Philip Robinson Leading form chance on whisker second to Mark Of Esteem in the 2,000 Guineas and bred to relieb this longer trip. Painted as plainly-bred underdog tackling diminished for that.



**11 JACK JENNINGS** 

Jockey: John Reid First Derby runner for Bryan McMahon in 24 years of training. Placed in some good races, notably third to Glory Of Dancer at York, but a place is probably his best hope. Reid won on Dr



13 PRINCE OF MY HEART Jockey: Brent Thoma Third in a Derby trial at Chaster last month suggests long odds quote is about right. Proved stamina with victory in a minor race at Catterick in April but

standard of that form leaves plenty to be desired at this level.

As the betting suggests, an open race in which the market leaders cannot be easily split. Even Top holds Alhaarth on 2,000 Guiness form, although the suspicion remains that he raced on the favoured side of the track. Albaarth, for his part, has to prove that he can progress from his two-year-old form, Glory Of Dancar defeated
Dushyantor in the Dante Stakes at York but, over this longer trip and with a likely feater pace, DUSHYANTOR can give Henry Cecil a fourth VERDICT: 1, DUSHYANTOR; 2, Even Top; 3, Glory Of Dancer.

Text: George Res Graphic: Laura Sylves

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### DERBY TACTICS AND GUIDE TO THE 1795: 31AB11 Temperament is important. In the slow, hell-mile welk across the Downs horses can fret the race away before they have started. From the off, a middle draw, which gives jockeys greater freedom to take a good position, is favoured. No horse drawn on the inner or outer—No 1 and No 21 today—has won in the less 24 years. In this big field, expect planty of joeting from the start. EPSOM COURSE 3 10 turlongs THE FRUSH The final furlong rises to the finish, a stiff climb. Forget the idea that the Derby is an easy mile Highest point 134ft TOP OF THE HILL. Five furlongs gone and the race is developing. The early pacernakers are beginning to weaken and jockeys must be aware of who is going to make the next move. Horse and rider must be organised for the approaching descent so position is vital, but, with so much at stake, no quarter is given 4 furtongs TATTENHAM CORNER The straight falls noticeably into a pronounced on about a furlong and a half out. The ground also cambers inwards towards the rail so thing TATTENHAM Converse danger. The beaten horses are a danger, lockeys must guard against being carried back through the field as they tade away. Ground lost here can be almost impossible to make the carrier of the rails is the horses can drift down and trup runners attempting to challenge on the traids. Prime position is on the up. About two off the rails is the ideal position. Horses can be boxed in it sticking to the inside or carried further wide it they come ide of the field, away from danger Graphic Geoffrey Sime/ John Lawson COMPREHENSIVE FORM GUIDE TO THE 21 CONTENDERS

ACHARNE May 11 Lingheld, see Mystic Knight Apr 28. Caparnelle Rome, soft, (9-2) promoted 31 5th to Dancer Mittal (9-2) 1m, group II, \$58,157,14 (an)

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CHIEF CONTENDER May 18, Sarsour, good to firm (9.1) best for January (9.1) 31, (1)m of conditions, E5.533 3 (2) Apr 16. Newmarket See Zaforum.

CLASSIC EAGLE May 7, Chesler, see St Mawes Apr 20, Thirsik, good to firm, (9-0) 8 % last to Ramooz (9-0) (1m, £9,470, 7 ran).

CLEVER CLICHE May 3, Newmarket, good to firm (8-8) 4-61 4th to Mick's Love (8-8) (1m 2) isled, \$12,652, 5 ran) Apr 12. Nottingham, good to sott, (9-0) best Hal's Pal (9-0) head (1m, mdn,

£4 391, 16 rani DOUBLE LEAF May 15, York, see Glory Of Dancer Apr 27. Sandown, sea Glory Of Dancer.

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**EVEN TOP** 

May 4, Newmartel, good to firm (9-0) short-head 2nd to Mark Of Esteem (9-0) with Alhearth (9-0) 6'st 4th and Storm Trooper (9-0) 13% 11th (1m. group ), c (201262, 13 ran)

Oct 21, Doncaster, good to firm, (9-0) 1-4 2nd to Beauchamp lung (9-0) (1m, group I, £87,737, 4 ran). Sep 29, Newmarket, good. (8-9) beat fumbleweed Bridge (8-9) 114 (7), listed.

GLORY OF DANCER

May 15, York, good to firm, (8-11) beal Dushyantor (8-11) in with Jack Jen-nings (8-11) 11 4th, Double Leaf (8-11) Il and head 5th and Storm Trooper (8-11) 31 6th (1m 2i 85;ai group il. 066,526, 7 ran)

Apr 27 Sandown, good (9-2) made 2nd to Sandigma (8-10) with Double Leal (8-10) 614 4th and Busy Flight (8-10) 314 6th (1m 2) group (1, 242,564, 9 ran). JACK JENNINGS May 15, York, see Glory Of Denicer

Sep 23. Ascot, good; (8-11) 5i and neck 3rd to Mons (8-11) with Achteme (8-11) 56:3i 6th (1m. group II, £63,730, 8 ran)

MYSTIC KNIGHT

May 11, Lingfield, good to firm; (8-7) best Heron Island (8-7) 1¼ with Zaforum (8-7) 1¼ 3nd and Achanne (8-7) 13d lest (1m 3l 106yd, group III, 530.820, 6 ran) Agr 20. Nambury, good to solt, (8-13) 77 3rd to High Baroque (8-13) (1m 3), conditions, £7,724, 5 ran)

PRINCE OF MY HEART May 7. Chester, see St Mawas. Apr 24 Catterick, good: (9-1) bear Swan Humer (8-12) 61 (1m 4t, conditions, 55,178, 4 ran)

SHAAMIT Nov 4. Doncaster, good to living (9-0) best Classy Chief (9-0) 3%! with Spentan Heartheat (9-0) 14%! 19th (1m, mdn auct. £4,189, 23 ran). Sep 25, Newmarket, good, (8-11) 3161 4th to Helicon (8-11) (1m, mon. £5.845.

SHANTOU

May 28, Sandown, good to soft, (8-11) best Rocky Oasis (8-11) XI (1m 21, mdn, 23,973, 16 ran) may 7, Chester, good; (9-0) 1 kd 2nd of 9 to Legal Pight (9-0) (1m 2l 75yd, mdn, .52.367, 9 ran). Apr. 17, Massan Apr. 17, Neumarket, good to firm; (9-0) short-head and 25:1 3rd to Farasan (9-0)

SPARTAN HEARTBEAT May 23, Memcastle, good; (8-12) two nacks 3rd to Pine Needle (9-3) (fm 41 90yd, hitap, \$5,890, 8 ran)

May 11, Linglield, good; (8-11) % 3rd to Wat No Fax (8-11) (1m 2), mgm, 12 rsm) ST MAWES May 21, Goodwick good; (8-8) 31 3rd to Don Michsletto (8-8) (1m 2f, Island, \$22,515, 9 ran).

\$22,515, 9 ran).
May 7, Chester, good; (8-10), 151 2nd to High Baroque (8-10) with Prince Of May Heart (8-10), 251 3rd and Classic Eagle (8-10) toled off last (1m 4f 66)rd, group III, 528,710, 6 ram). Apr 18, Neumarket, see Storm Trooper.

STORM TROOPER

May 15, York, see Glory Of Dancer. Apr 18, Newmerket, good to firm; (8-11) test St. Mawner (8-11) 41 with Jack Jennings (8-11) 11 3rd (1m 11, listed £11,268, 11 ren)

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May 11, Leoperdsiown, good; (8-11) 25d 4th to Idris (10-1) (1m, 19,675, 9 ran) ZAFORUM

May 11, Lingfield, see Mystic Knight Apr 16. Newmarket, good to firm: (9-0) 334 6th to Sherpas (9-0) with Chief Contender (9-0) 31 9th (1m 4f, mdn. £4,269, 10 ren) PORTUGUESE LIL

May 21, Bevertey, good to firm; (9-7) 5th 5th to Parywings (8-5) (1m 2l, heap, £3,665, 10 rsn) May 5. Newmerket, good to firm; (9-0) 131 10th to Bosra Sham (9-0) (1m, group 1, £100.525, 13 card). Selection: DUSHYANTOR

DERBY STATISTICS BREEDING: Chief Contender, Double Leaf and Dushyantor, all by Sadler's Wells, ought to get the trip (Jack Waterman writes). Even Top, Storm Trooper and Mystic Knight are others whose pedigrees appeal. TRAINERS: Henry Cacil and Dick Hern lead with three wins, from John Dunlop and Michael Stoute (two), Roger Charlton and Peter Chapple-Hyam (one apiece). JOCKEYS: Willie Carson, with four wins, leads Pat Eddery (three), Michael Kinane and John Reid (one each). MARKET: Over the past decade, the winner has eight times come from the first four in the betting.



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# Hussain comes of age as Test batsman

attempt to disguise his feelings when he took his hundredth run yesterday. No sooner had he angled the ball down to third man than he began a ritual of public thanks and acknowledgement that lasted a full minute, turning his bat to all corners of the ground. As ovations go, this was one of the more heartfelt, and there were further cheers when he came off at the end.

For Hussain, who has a keen sense of his own worth, this innings was the breaching of a personal dam. "At last, he can say, "I have proved myself worthy." He was born in the same week as Michael Atherton, 28 years ago, made his Test debut at the same age, 21, and enjoyed similar acclaim as a young man. Their careers have diverged since then and it is a wiser cricketer altogether who resumes an acquaintance with the England captain that goes back to their schooldays.

In his eighth Test, seven years after his first, Hussain has at last begun to do justice to a talent that awaits com-plete fulfilment. There have been tears and tantrums along the way, so nothing can rob him of the prize he clutched to his bosom in Birmingham. He will feel that, having made his first and most difficult Test hundred, there are many more within him. Mark Ramprakash, another contemporary, might not feel the

same way, poor chap. The highest praise one can pay Hussain is to say it was a mature Test match innings. The indians behaved like charlies on the first day, notwithstanding the capricious nature of the pitch, and the English batting has not exactly been the soul of discretion. Hussain had to earn his runs against good seam bowling and, by coaxing 98 from

CHELMSFORD (second day

of four): Lancashire, with sev-

en first-innings wickets in

hand, are 177 runs behind

GRAHAM LLOYD, who does

not have a regular place in his

county's batting order, played

an innings against Essex yes-

terday that was bellicose in its

shed at the back of

the brewery and

imagine what life to

could have been like

if there were monks

and an abbey.



At the Edgbaston Test match

sure that India began their second innings on the back

To reach lunch unbeaten,

surviving a challenging morning, was an achievement in itself. Srinath bowled superbly in that first session and five wickets, instead of two, would not have been misleading. Hussain enjoyed at least three moments of good fortune. most significantly when Darrell Hair judged - with immediate and surprising certainty - that the ball did not brush his glove or bat on the way through to Mongia. The batsman was 14 at the time and the Indians did not forget it. going by their response to his moment of triumph five hours

it has been a good match so far not only for Hussain. but also for David Lloyd, the England coach. Hussain's performance vindicated his selection at No 3, ahead of John Crawley, and, to show how cruelly cricket sometimes plays its hand, Crawley was out cheaply at Chelmsford as Hussain's innings was starting to take shape. It seems

Lloyd pounds Essex bowlers

BY IVO TENNANT

included the fastest century of

the season, made off 70 balls.

and the most number of sixes

in an innings, 12, by a Lanca-

shire batsman. He and Ste-

phen Titchard, who finished

with 112, put on 332, a record

for the county's fourth wicket.

All that was missing was the presence of Lloyd's father, the

England coach.

Visit the monks

of Fuggle

Abbey.



An elated Hussain celebrates after compiling his long-overdue first Test century at Edgaston yesterday

that Lloyd can do no wrong at the moment, so completely are his preferences and hunches coming off. By helping players to feel at home in the Test set-up, he deserves his good notices

. What Hussain has got to do now is confirm his right to the No 3 position. Every team

century in the country champ-

ionship for two years, which is

one reason why he is regarded

in certain quarters as a limit-

ed-overs batsman. Another is

that he is always included in

this form of cricket, to which

his natural game is well suited. If Atherton and

Fairbrother had been able to

play here, he would not have

needs its David Boons and England have not had one for some years. Since Mike Gatting made his last Test doing well at No 5. hundred at Adelaide in January last year, no fewer than seven men have tried there.

yesterday, eyes off the ball. was another reminder why he has not. Anyway, Hick is

Growing up in public can be mighty hard. When he returned from a disappointing West Indies tour two years ago. Hussain was a marginal figure, marked down as "tem-

peramentally flawed" and unlikely to be given another chance. That he has come back and shown the world he is a changed man is something he can be proud of. Although it is better to withhold praise at times than bestow it extravagantly. Hussain certainly de-

By PAT GIBSON

So Lloyd finds himself bracketed with Fairbrother as a one-day specialist, which Never afraid to hit the ball in

Lee, whose first-class aver age plummeted from 127 to 111 when he was out for 65, and Trescothick had put on 95 for the lifth wicket when Lee rifled a drive straight back down the pitch. Welch, the bowler, stuck out a despairing hand and deflected the ball into the stumps, with Tres-

It was a cruel blow for went on to lose their last five wickets for 67 to concede a advantage by 58 for the loss of in mid-afternoon ended play.

for a substantial lead when Lee and Trescothick were taking the attack to the champions. Pollock seemed to be feeling his work-load and with Altree, a young left-arm seamer, so full of nerves on his championship debut that he twice conceded four wides in his first over, Lee in particular took full advantage. There were 11 fours in his 65 off 97 balls and it was only his own exuberance which got him out, an extrava-

# Fleming keeps result in sight

By JACK BAILEY

LEICESTER (third day of four): Kent, with all secondinnings wickets in hand, lead Leicestershire by 78 runs

NOTHING is certain in cricket. The BBC television com-England had already won the Test match by the evening of the first day will testify to that. Just as he was contemplating a large slice of humble pie (or. in his case. Yorkshire pudding) at tea-time yesterday, so were the Kent players who had suggested during the second day at Grace Road that this match would not go

beyond a third. The way things are going, it would last into a fifth day if there were one. What Kent thought was a pitch in the process of breaking up was nothing of the kind. The spinners have turned the ball more and more, but it has come through increasingly slowly. The batsman who wishes to stay and has a sound technique has every chance of



lead of 107 and into a position from which they could not lose, so well did Matthew Fleming and David Fulton

is still possible. Fulton supported him well. Their century opening partnership was hoisted in 20 overs and all the painstaking efforts of Smith and Pierson, whose stand of 89 for Leicestershire's minth wicket had raken more than twice as long. were wiped away.

Leicestershire did not bowl well in the last three hours or so, but Fleming must be credited with taking full advantage. He raced past 50 from 52 balls with two successive sixes off the suffering Brimson, spared nothing remotely loose - and there was plenty of that - on his way to the seventh century of his career. Fulton reached his fifty just before Fleming, after a nervous period in the nineties, went to his hundred from 128 balls with three sixes and

Earlier proceedings had been taken ransom by Smith. Having tasted the cautious method on his way to a century on Thursday, he saw no good reason to change his diet. Pierson proved an equally obdurate ally and, although Parsons had been out after adding only seven runs to his overnight score, the last three Leicestershire wickets had added 133 runs before Fleming appeared in his first starting role, knocking over the last

two batsmen. Smith's innings was the highest of his career. For a natural stroke player, it was a monumental effort of selfdenial and it deserved a better reward - better backing from his bowlers, especially the spinners, who could maintain

launch Kent's second innings that, with a day left, anything

P C R Turned to but. 9CWLING: Water 27-9-83-2, Thomas 21-4-43-1, Croft 25.4-4-68-5, Barwick 20-5-47-0, Butcher 12-8-27-1, Kendrick 8-1-29-0. Bonus points' Middlesex & Glemorgan 5. Umpres: J (I Hampshire and K E Paimer. Leicestershire v Kent

LEICESTER (third day of four). Kant, with all second-innings wickers in hand, are 78 rune ahead of Leicesterstree. KENT: First immings 324 (T R Ward 90, G R Cowdrey 71, S A March 61) Second Innings

29-0; Brinson 9-0-62-0.
LEDCESTERSHIRE: First Innings
V J Wells c Marsh b McCague ... 44
D L Maddy c Philips b McCague ... 16
B F Smith not out ... 174
P V Simmons flow b Hooper ... 82
"J J Whiteser c Preston b Stanford ... 18
A Habb at Marsh b Stanford ... 8
D J Mirrs b Hooper ... 0
G J Parsons c Fution b McCague ... 14
A H K Pisson c and b Pleming ... 44
M T Brinson b Remling ... 0
Baras (b 8, lb 4, rb 2) ... ... 14
Total

FALL OF WICKETS, 135, 2-85, 3-185, 4-226, 5-267, 6-291, 7-290, 8-342, 8-431. 9OWLING: MCCapus 25-5-79-3, Philips 14-4-53-0; Presion 8-1-27-0, Eathern 29-10-82-0, Fernang, 11-3-26-2, Hooper 33-6-16-2, Servind 35-12-44-3 Limores, J D Bond and D J Constant

Nottinghamshire v Northamptonshire

TRIENT BRIDGE (second day of lour) Nothingharmshire, with eacht first-immigs wickels in hand, are 506 runs behand Northamptonshire. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First inrungs NORTHAMPTONSHRE: First Innings
R R Montgomers & Walker b Cerns 31
A Fordhern c Bases b Evone 2
R J Belley c Pollard b Afford 183
M B Loye C Archer b Evens 98
J P Taylor c Post b Tolley 57
R J Wenten c Pulsar b Afford 22
D J Capel c Wafter b Tolley 34
A R Roberts b Tolley 54
A R Roberts b Tolley 54
C E Embury not out 67
C E L Ambrose pot out 26
Euters, fb 4, 8 h 17 - 60 48 Total (9 wids dec) 801
Score et 120 overs 322-3
FALL OF WICKETS 1-24, 2-73, 3-264
4-365, 5-369, 6-400, 7-410, 8-451, 9-524,
80WLNG, Caurts 27-4-75-1, Evens 35-1271-2, Pick 28-7-71-0, Afford 38-9-108-2
Bases 30-5-140-0, Totley 26-3-107-4.

### YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

PR Potard not out 28
R 7 Robinson of Anthrose b Tayfor 9
G F Archer b Ambrose b Tayfor 9
Johnson not out 28
Extras (nb 12) 12

FALL OF WICKETS. 1-18. 2-41
FALL OF WICKETS. 1-18. 2-41
SOMUNG: Ambrose 6-1-31-1, Taylor 5-217-1: Emburey 7-2-21-0: Periberity 4-014-0. Roberts 2-0-12-0.
Borrus ports: Notinghamshire 1
Northamptonshire 3.
Umpres. J. C. Balderstone and N.T. Plews.

Somerset v Warwickshire

TAUNTON (second day of four) Warwick-share, with rane second-trangs wickets a hand, are 71 nans ahead of Somerset

M N Latinwell low b Pollock ...
P D Bowler c Pennsy b Brown
"A N Hayfrurst low b Pollock ...
M E Trescothick run out ......
P C L Holloway b Brown .....
S Lee c Brown b Welch ....

Extras (0 6, to 8, w 11, nb 8)

Total (70 overs) 242
FALL OF WICKETS. 1-35, 2-63, 3-78, 4-80, 5-175, 6-193, 7-193, 8-204, 9-232
BOWLING: Pollock 21-8-35-2; Afree 13-2-68-1 Welch 15-1-84-3; Brown 20-6-81-3; Smith 1-1-0-0

Sussex v Dartum

Extras (b 1, lb 15, w 3, nb 38) .....

BOWLING: Brown 35-10-96-2, Betts 22-1-148-0, Birbeck 31-9-89-3; Boiling 34-10-74-0; Cox 40-10-116-2, Blankron 1.5-0-14-0.

8 L Campbell of Greenfeld b Biddons

\*M A Rosebarry to Biddons

D A Bienform at Moores b Salisbury

D O Dithogwood o Moores b Salisbury

\*C W Scott o Moores b Selisbury

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Total (44.1 overe) 159
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-71, 2-99, 3-119, 4-132, 5-132, 6-136, 7-136, 8-139, 9-152

BOWLING: Drakes 11.1-3-46-2, Lawry 8-0-28-0; Law 4-0-30-0; Selectory 11-6-15-8, Gardins 10-1-36-2.

Yorkshire v Surrey

ABDDLESBROUGH (second day of four): Yorkshire, with five accord-innings wickies in hand, are 344 runs aheed of dursey YORKSHIRE: First Innings 305 (M P Vaughan 135; B C Hollionke 4 for 74)

A McGrath C Ward b Julian ...

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M P Vaughen c A J Holliceise b R

D Byas law b B C Holliceise ...

M G Bevan not cut.

C White c Ward b Peanson ...

C E W Severwood c and b Reichte 17 J Bleisey not out.

PRJ Blekey not out \_\_\_\_\_. Extras (b 4, lb 9, w 3, nb 16) .....

Total (5 wide) ...

Gigans 10-1-35-2. Bonus points' Suseex & Durhem 1. Umpires. T E Jesty and M J Kitchen.

Bonus points Somerset 5 Warwickst Umpres: R Julian and R Paimer,

Britannic Assurance county championship Essex v Lancashire

CHELMSFORD (second day of lour): Lancestine, with seven linst-immigs wickels in hand, are 122 runs betwind Essex

in hand, are 122 runs bearing essential section of the SSEEK, First Inrange G A Gooch c Austra b Keedy D D J Robinson bis to Chapple A P Crayson b Keedy S G Law c Elworthy b Austra P J Prichard c Tuchard b Austra 13 B Lewis C Speak of Saustra 15 J B Lewis C Speak of Saustra 15 J B Lewis C Speak of Saustra 15 J B Colors c Elworthy b Washinski 

Total (3 wids, 78 overs) 387

'M Wadenson, 1W K Hegg, I D Ausin, 5 Eworthy, G Chapple and G Keedy to bat. FALL OF WICKETS, 1-10, 2-13, 3-55

BOWLING Bott 15-0-85-1, Cowen 12-2-40-1, Such 18-5-93-1, Andrew 13-2-50-0, Grayson 14-0-84-0, Law 6-0-30-0 Borrus points, Essex 5 Lancashire 8. res R A White and P Wiley

Hampshire v Derbyshire SOUTHAMPTON (second day of four) Hampshire, with five first-innings vickets in hand, are 181 runs behind Derbyshire

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings 

BOWLING. Cornor 22:5-70-3. Bowli 19-4-64-0. James 22:2-53-2. Stephenson 8-1-32-0; Udal 40-11-127-4. Maru 22:3-5-58-1. Whiteler 3-0-20-0. Write 8-0-34-0

Wintship 3-0-20-0, Write B-0-34-0
HAMPSHIRE: First Immigs
"J P Stephenson c Rollins-to-Jones
J S Laney Dav b Malcolm
K D James Stow b Vandmu
R A Smith not out
P R Wintship b Jones
G W White b DeFrenas
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OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First Intings 

### Greenfield springs to life with a vengeance

IF NOT quite as nasty a shock as reading your own obituary. Keith Greenfield, of Sussex. had an unpleasant surprise yesterday morning when he opened his morning news-paper and found that he had been dismissed for 38 by the last ball of Thursday's play in the match against Durham at Hove (Geoffrey Wheeler writes).

How Simon Brown, who had, in fact, taken the wicket of Neil Lenham, and the rest of the Durham bowlers must have wished that the scoreboard details were not in error. For Greenfield, who survived a stumping chance

at 65, went on to make an championship cricket, before Sussex declared at 552 for eight after Greenfield had been in for 612 hours, which looked time well spent as Durham were spun out for 159 by Ian Salisbury, who took six for 15.

Mark Ramprakash and Robin Smith, the England discards, were in the runs. Ramprakash scored 97 to ease Middlesex ahead of Glamorgan at Lord's; Smith made an unbeaten 98 as Hampshire reached 291 for five in reply to Derbyshire's 472 at South-

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# the air, he reached both his half-century and century with sixes, then twice drove Such

out of the ground and picked up Grayson, bowling left-arm spin, into the River Can. These, it should be emphasised, were conventional shots. There were also 22 fours in what was, not surprisingly. his highest score. All this after Essex had

batted on in the morning. Lewis reaching a half-century in his initial first-class match of the season. Lancashire then lost their first three wickets cheaply and appeared, even on this true pitch, to be in danger of following on. Wood, making his debut, was caught at the wicket and Crawley was taken at first slip off llott, touching one that was slanted

across him. Speak was bowled by Such as he made to sweep. Soon Lloyd was ourscoring Titchard, who chose to keep the ball on the ground and to bat with a resolution that others who went before him had not achieved. His century. his first of the season, came from 202 balls and included

ten fours. The partnership record that he and Lloyd broke was 324 by Archie MacLaren and J. T. Tyldesley in 1904 against Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge. Come the close, Lloyd had batted for three hours 41 minutes and, to judge by the way he played the final over, is looking to add considerably to his total this morning.

### **Trescothick** runs out of luck as Lee prospers

Graeme Hick should really

have made the spot his own

and the hook he essayed

TAUNTON (second day of four): Warwickshire, with nine second-innings wickets in hand, are 71 runs ahead of

THE power of Shane Lee's strokeplay, which has now brought the young Australian 447 runs in his first six championship innings. turned out to be a doubleedged sword for Somerset yesterday, just as they seemed to be taking control.

cothick out of his ground.

Trescothick, who had been run out in similar fashion in the previous championship match, and Somerset, who first-innings deficit of 13. Warwickshire had extended their Khan when a thunderstorm

Somerset had been looking gant extra-cover drive being brilliantly caught by Brown.

### doing so. Then, as the man said, nothing is certain. For, whereas it seemed that Ben Smith's crafted, grafted and undefeated imnings of 174, spread over eight hours and 40 minutes. had put Leicestershire into a

# Versatile Vaughan comes up trumps

By SIMON WILDE

MIDDLESBROUGH (second day of four): Yorkshire, with five second-innings wickets in hand, are 344 runs ahead of

YORKSHIRE took such a firm grip on this game yesterday that, if they fail to win assuming they are not further delayed by the weather - they ought to be whisked down to London to join Raymond Illingworth in explaining themselves to the authorities next week. They are holding all the aces and Surrey, condemned to batting last on a turning pitch, know it.

Although Yorkshire turned

in a good all-round perfor-mance, it was Michael Vaughan's day yesterday and it has been his match. A century-maker on Thursday, he went in again with his side seeking to capitalise on a lead of 108, and stroked his way to 91, making it all look as easy

Earlier, by way of diversion, he put his hand to bowling offspin and returned his best championship figures of four for 62 as Surrey only avoided the follow-on with their ninthwicket pair at the crease. Though Surrey looked forlom in the field, and Pearson

failed to take proper advan-

tage of the conditions,

Vaughan, nevertheless, batted

beautifully again. He batted almost three hours, taking his total time at the crease to 445 minutes, and his 17 fours took his match tally to 40. His rousing third-wicket partner-ship of 170 with Bevan, after Yorkshire had lost two early wickets, put the game all but out of Surrey's reach. Bevan's belligerent contri-

bution of 88 not out was well suited to his side's needs. He struck the ball with brutal power in moving to his seventh half-century in ten championship innings.

It was dispiriting day for Surrey, who are making do without four first-team regulars and find themselves frusill-equipped

exploit a pitch that began to first evening. Even so, though the pitch may not receive high marks. Surrey deserve a Resuming on 76 for two,

they experienced a disastrous morning, subsiding to 148 for seven before the second of two rain breaks brought the session to an early end. Stemp bowled unchanged from the start of the day and once Gough, who bowled an unimpressive first spell, was replaced by Vaughan. Surrey virtually surrendered their

powers of scoring. Stemp's figures of four for 44 were his best in the champ-

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TENNIS: YOUNG RUSSIAN TRIUMPHS TO SET UP FRENCH OPEN SHOWDOWN WITH STICH

# Sampras meets his match in Paris

IN PARIS

THE fall of Pete Sampras. in yesterday's men's singles semi-finals of the French Open championships, should not be allowed to overshadow the rise of Michael Stich. The man who came to Paris without expectation - on the way to Wimbledon, so to speak may deservedly win the French title tomorrow.

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It is difficult to evaluate the triumph of Yevgeny Kafelnikov. The young Russian's slaughter of Sampras, sad to watch, by 7-6, 6-0, 6-2, owed as much to Sampras's physical disintegration as to Kafelníkov's murderous return of service and stinging passing shots. Kafelnikov, the first Russian finalist in a grand-slam event since Alex Metreveli lost to Jan Kodes, of Czechoslovakia, at strikebound Wimbledon in 1973, was himself quick to say that it was not the same Pete".

While Sampras and his many supporters mourned the end of his chance to complete the quartet of grand-slam titles - only Michael Chang in 1989 among Americans has succeeded in Paris since Tony Trabert in 1955 - there was no doubting the excellence of Stich. The Wimbledon champion of 1991 beat Marc Rosset, of Switzerland, in straight sets, a flourish that suggests this may be, in spite of injury at the start of the season, the finest year of his career so far. On what was said to be the hottest June day in Paris for more than a hundred years, relieved only by an occasional zephyr, Stich needed only an hour and a half and 27 games to take Rosset apart. In a phase at the start of the second

points before going under 6-3, Stich has a 6-3 win-loss record against Kafelnikov, and the error-free fluency of his play in the second week of

set. Stich took 13 consecutive points. The unfortunate

Rosset, who stands oft 7ins but

could manage only seven aces

to Stich's nine, found some fire

too late. In the final two

games, he saved five match



Kafelnikov hits one of many powerful forehand returns that proved decisive during his straight-sets victory over Sampras yesterday

this tournament has justifiably carried him to his third grand-slam final. No one would have supposed that prior to Roland Garros: he had played only seven matches on clay this season. What distinguishes his play is intelligence as much as technique. He studiedly neutralised all Rosset's strengths.

"If you allow Rosset the rhythm, you can't compete," Stich said. "So in the first set I played slice, to make him think about my game, avoided his backhand and hit winners to his forehand." He reflected that he is much more experienced, at 27, than when he complete, a better player." he said, unaffectedly.

He gained the first service break for 5-3 by pushing Rosset from corner to corner of the baseline, Rosset conceding the game with forehand errors. Rosset considered that this had been the turning point of the match. "I made those two forehand mistakes," he said, "then dropped the first game of the second set, and from that moment he played very well. But I let him." Stich admitted that to be in the final was the biggest surprise of his career.

Sampras, like Rosset, considered he had been a conspir[Kafelnikov] saw me getting tired, relaxed, and played well. hitting some good returns and backhands," Sampras said. heavy with regrets. "In the first set, we were both pretty uptight ... I was very, very tired. After the first set, I felt

the balloon just popped." He was entitled to feel disappointed, having earlier defeated two former French Open champions. Bruguera and Courier. "It was hard to get here [the semi-final], and I couldn't catch my breath." Sampras said, "It was the honest day of the tournament. and the other matches got to me. Clay is a surface where you need that energy." He has withdrawn from the Stella Artois tournament at Queen's Club next week to recuperate. Sampras was in doubt whether winning the first set

could have made much difference. He had the opening, leading 4-2 in the tie-break, but then making a backhand and two forehand errors to go 4-5. Kafelnikov, sensing the breach in the dam, hit a whiplash forehand and perfect backhand down the line to take command of the match. For the first time since the 1992 Olympic games. Sampras dropped a set to love. His serve lacked snap: he hitnine double faults to

his opponent's 12. The most revealing statistic was on service-return. Kafelnikov won 25 points on first-service return, 22 on second-service return, compared with six and 12 respectively for Sampras.

plate reaching for the widely forecast No I ranking position.

Kafelnikov was modest in victory. The circumstances were very different, he said, from the Davis Cup last December, when he had crumpled against Sampras in straight sets on carpet indoors. He did not agree that "my time has come", as was being suggested. There was much room for improvement at 22. and before he could contem-

One of the biggest crowds performance in many .a month, beating the No i seed, Christina Singer, of Germany, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4. Things were not

ATHLETICS

### First blood to Christie as Bailey is beaten

FROM DAVID POWELL ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT IN NUMERICA

THE organisers gave Linford Christie the No I to wear here last night, and Donovan Bailey No 2. How prophetic they were: Christie, the Olympic champion, defeated Bailey, the world champion, over 100

In the final analysis, it was the start that made the difference. Christie had a poor one, Bailey an appalling one. Had they started well, they would have broken 10sec, but Christie had to settle for 10.06sec.

This was the first meeting of the year between them, the Briton having won five of their nine encounters last season. Bailey, though, won the important one, at the world championships in Gothenburg, and he is running faster now than at the corresponding night, he had recorded 9,97sec twice - though both runs were assisted by a marginally illegal tail wind — and a legal 10.07sec.

Christie, having won his first three races of the season, was beaten in Rome on Wednesday by Dennis Mitchell. Had Christie not stumbled at the start, he would no doubt have won and improved on his season's best, the 10.04sec that he recorded in winning the European Cup 100 metres in Madrid last weekend. He had to settle for 10.10sec in Rome.

In Gothenburg, Christie fell to the floor at the end of the final, clutching his hamstring. Bailey accused him of feigning injury, an allegation denied not only by Christie's camp but also by the Great Britain medical team. Recently, it has been Bailey who has had to contend with injury, having hurt his hip at the Atlanta grand prix meeting three weeks ago, but there was no sign here that he was troubled when he ran 10.21sec for his semi-final, Christie having re-

corded a relaxed 10.37sec. The promoter, though, must have had his heart in his mouth when, having paid close to \$50,000 (about £33,000) to secure perhaps the only pre-Olympic race between Bailey and Christie, the Canadian false-started in his semi-final. However, Bailey left nothing to chance second time away, departing his blocks late to make sure that he was not disqualified. Without another sprinter of his class in the field, he still won comfortably.

## Routine casting for final act

WHAT ever can be done to reinvigorate women's tennis? Its predictability is becoming borand commercially worryire, never mind that either Steffi Graf or Arantxa Sanchez ili earn neariv £500.000 for winning the singles final of the French Open championships, the highest paying tournament, today (David Miller writes).

The immense ability of Graf, on a par with any woman player in history, is unarguable, as is the resilience of Sanchez Vicario's retrieving game. Victory for

either will be a tribute to their virtues, Graf's being the more complete and attractive.

Yet look at what has preceded this final. Of the four to reach the semi-finals, the othand Martinez, only Sanchez Vicario dropped one set, and that against Habsudova. Monica Seles, seeded to meet Graf in the final, did not drop a set before her defeat by Novotna on an off day. Who wants to watch this kind of procession of automated victory?

On her way to her 25th samma and same special control of the same section of the same sec

grand slam tournament final, of which she has lost only eight, Graf dropped a mere 24 games, and has needed to be on court only for 412 hours. Is

that worth half a million? Everything points towards another Graf victory, though it should be remembered that, of the three grand slam tournament finals that Sanchez Vicario has won, two were against Graf, in Paris in 1989 and New York in 1994. She will have to run twice as far as her opponent if she is to have a chance of winning, but we have seen her do it before.

### Fortune shines on Petchey ON A day that started badly. his consistency of late, and it things could only get better for

Mark Petchey yesterday (Alix Ramsay writes). Coming out of Queen's Club after a practice session, he pranged his new car on his way to his quarter-final with Roger Smith at the Beckenham Open. The omens were not

But Petchey does not believe in fate and, after 69 minutes of effort in the sun, he had dispatched Smith, of the Bahamas, 6-4, 6-3. It was a solid performance from the Briton. who has not been known for

FOR THE RECORD

pits him in the semi-final today against Piet Norval, of South Africa, who beat Paul Hand, of Britain, 6-3, 4-6, 6-1. As the temperatures headed

for the 90s, the fair-skinned Petchey was not pleased, however. The only protection is to drink plenty of water, wear a hat and hope for short points." Yesterday, rallies were at a premium. Petchev's serve was working well save for a minor

hiccup in the first and last games of the match. Clare Wood reached the women's final with her best

looking bright in the third set with Wood a break down, but she railied to win the last four games. With Singer serving to claim the match, the German saved two match points but double faulted on the third. Wood faces Maria Vento, of

Venezula, in the final today The challenge of Tom Spinks, another Briton, ended, though, as he was beaten 7-5, 6-0 by Marcus Ondruska, South Africa.

Classic: Leading first-round soons (round uncompleted, US unloss stated) 88: 6 Graham, D Eggeing, D Domman 87: M lachtamms, A Nichaliss (ISB) 88: 5 Hamilin, E Dernot, J Crafter (Aus), P Brackey, D Andrews, K Wass, K Lunn (Aus), E Klein, T Hamaon British; 73: 1, Danes

HOCKEY

MEN'S INTERNATIONAL MATCHES: Germany 1 Gress Britain 2 (at Frankbut); South Africa 1 Spein 4 (at Pietermarticburg); Gress Britain 2 Carnade 1 (at Rishem Abbey) WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Hol-land 1 Australia 2 (at Tirburg).

NATIONAL LEAGUE (NetL.) Stenley Cup: Finals: Colorado 8 Florida 1 (Colorado lead best-of-seven series 2-0).

MOTORCYCLING

### SPORT IN BRIEF

RAY STEVENS, Nicola Fairbrother and Kate Howey, who

### Els setting fierce pace

GOLF: Ernie Els produced another impressive performance Westchester, New York, yesterday. He had six birdies in his

### Takher to the rescue

ROWING: The Great Britain double scull of Andy Sinton



### RUGBY UNION

### Wales out to defy the odds

WALES return to the scene of their heaviest defeat this morning, and few would blame them for fearing the worst. For the first of their two international matches against Australia, in Brisbane, local bookmakers make the touring team a 10-1 chance, with the hosts an unbackable 25-1 on. Five years ago, Wales were beaten 63-6 on the same

ground, and yesterday Alex Evans, the former Wales coach who has returned home to work for the Australian Rugby Football Union, gave warning that they are in for another difficult match.

"I know Wales want to do well and they are out here rebuilding, but it is imperative they adjust to our hard grounds and speed of movement immediately," he said. "The brand of rugby Greg Smith the new Australia coachl uses is not easy, but when it comes off it is

exciting." After their 69-30 defeat by Australian Capital Territory and a 27-20 loss to New South Wales in midweek, Wales are "very much the underdogs". according to John Humphreys, their captain, "but we believe we are a better side than we have been given credit for."

AUSTRALIA: M. Burke, D. Campese, J. Rolt, B. Haren, A. Murdoch, P. Howard, G. Gregan, P. Harry, M. Caputo, E. McKenze, D. Wilson, J. Baies, Inaption, G. Morgan, O. Finegan, G. Uert, Replacements, S. Larkham, S. Bowler, S. Payne, M. Brast, D. Growley, M. Fole, W. Shand, D. Growley, M. Fole, W. Shand, D. Shand, N. Wall, F. W. Shanda, L. Fronc, L. Dawes, N. en Singine, Militari, Di Crowley, Mindely WALES: Williams I. Davies, M. Davies, M. Davies, G. Thomas, N. Jerlons, R. Howley, C. Laudar, J. Humphreys (capitan). J. Davies, H. Garler, G. Devestyn, D. Jones, G. Jones, S. Minarris, Replacements: S. Hill. A. Thomas, A. Moore, M. Voyre, L. Mustoe, B. Williams.

Three tries by Christian Cullen helped New Zealand to beat Western Samoa 51-10 in their first international in Napier vesterday.

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Northamptonshire
TAUNTON: Somerset v Warwickshire
HOVE: Sussex v Durham
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WOMEN'S TOUR MATCH: Shenley Park (one day) Audrey Colins XI v New RUGBY UNION International match Australia v WANE (at Brisbane 10.30am)

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South Wales v Cartisle (at Carchi Arms Parl 350)

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OTHER SPORT BOWLS. Middleton Cup (group matches).
BOXING: World Bouring Organisation featherweight championship: Naseem Hamel (Shefrield, holder) v Daniel Alicea iP Rico); World Boxing Association supermiddleweight championship: Franke Luß, holder v Tim Littles (US): Heavyweight bout: Herbe Hide (Norwich) v Joel Hemon (Fr) jar Newcasile Arena) CYCLING: Royal Air Force ten miles (at Crathorne, 1 30) Finsbury Park 50 miles (at Ranton, 5 0).

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GOLF: English Open (at Forest of Arden); Jarsey Seniors: Open (at La Moye).

MOTOR RACING: Formula Three championship (at Cultion Park).

SPEEDWAY (7 30): Premier League: Bedford v Oxfort; Swindon v Long Eaton Conterence League: Midderhald v Linfithgov, Easthourne v Ryde (IOW).

TENNIS: Bedkenham Open (at Beckenham Chotset Club).

Tomorrow

FOOTBALL European championship Spain v Bulgana (at Elland Road, 2.30) . Group C Germany v Czech Republic (at Old Trafford, 5.0) ... ... Group D Denmark v Porugal US Cup 1996

(at Hillsborough, 730) ..... United States v Ireland (at Foxboro Stadium, Boston, 8 30) CRICKET First Combill Test match

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Hull KR v Swinton Llons (6.30)
Hunslet Hawks v Chorley (3.30)
Prescot Parithers v Doncaster Dragons

RUGBY LEAGUE

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### RUGBY LEAGUE Goulding in frame for

early return at Cardiff

By Christopher Irvine

THE Super League goes on the road tonight with a preview of what Cardiff Arms Park can anticipate from next season with the probable "fasttrack" promotion of South Wales into the competition. Before St Helens's attempt

to extend their unbeaten record at the expense of Sheffield Eagles, who have adopted Cardiff as home for the day, local interest is provided by the curtain-raiser between South Wales and Carlisle in the second division. Another aspect of proceedings that will be watched with interest will be the attendance.

Bobbie Goulding, who was expected to be out of action for another formight with a fractured collarbone, could make a surprise return at scrum half for St Helens, A successful fitness test would also put Goulding back in contention for the game's fastest century of goals; he requires another six from three games.

A patched-up London Bron-cos side, which, for the first time this season, includes Ikram Butt, a token Englishman, for the trip to Wigan tomorrow, will hope that their Australian influence can undermine the champions, whose form continues to improve. Gary Connolly replaces the indisposed Kris Radlinski at full back for Wigan and Va'alga Tuigamala resumes at centre after a neck problem.

For the contest between the bottom two clubs, Leeds have switched Dean Clark to loose forward and put Graham Holroyd back at scrum half for their important visit to Workington. David Hulme. 33, the elder of the two brothers released by Widnes last week, is on the Leeds substitutes' bench, as is Paul Hulme, 30, for Warrington, who visit Oldham.

tomorrow will be at the Yorkshire derby between the resurgent Halifax Blue Sox and Bradford Bulls, unbeaten in five matches, but who have had no success in their past three visits to Thrum Hali. ☐ Paris Saint-Germain could be joined by at least one other French club in the European Super League by 1998. The Rugby Football League yesterday confirmed that they have received an application from a French business consortium to have a team from Bordeaux. Toulouse are also reported to be hoping to get into the Super League in two years' time.

### Judo medal-winners in line-up for Atlanta

all won medals at the 1992 Olympic Games in Barcelona, are included in the 13-strong Great Britain judo team for the Games this year in Atlanta (John Goodbody writes). Also in the squad, who had to qualify for the Games through international tournaments over the past year, are Danny Kingston and Sharon Rendle, both of whom won European titles last month.

TEAM: Men: Under 80kg: N Donohue (Manchester), Under 68kg: J Davies (Camberley), Under 71kg: D (Ingston (London) Under 78kg: G Randall (Edinburgh), Under 88kg: R Birch (Manchester), Under 98kg: R Stevens (London) Over 98kg: no quarifier Women: Under 58kg: N Felchrother (Edinburgh) Under 58kg: R Rende (Grimsby) Under 58kg: N Felchrother (Sandhurst) Under 61kg: D Bell (Crewcrook), Under 68kg: R Sweatman (Manchester), Under 72kg: K Howey (Andover) Over 72kg: M Rogera (Manchester)

to set a formidable halfway target and take an early fivestroke lead in the second round of the Buick Classic at 66, which gave him an aggregate of 131, 11 under par. Els outshone Greg Norman, his playing partner, who scored 70 to trail by six strokes. Nick Faldo was among the late starters.

HOCKEY: The Great Britain men's team maintained their winning sequence with a 2-1 victory over Canada at Bisham Abbey yesterday. Britain fell behind in the 25th minute when Brahmst scored for Canada from a short corner, but Nick Thompson equalised almost on half-time. Kalbir Takher scored the winning goal four minutes into the second half.

### Scullers well placed

and Nick Strange gained direct entry to the final in the Olympic qualification regatta in Lucerne yesterday, boosting their hopes of a trip to Atlanta. Peter Haining was just beaten by Merlin, of Holland, in the single sculls, but could qualifying for the final, tomorrow, through the repechage.



GROUP D

DENMARK

The Danes have an uncanny knack of putting their differences behind them. There have been all sorts of rows and boycotts by the players but, right now, they probably have the best karna in the world. The reward, for the neutral, is the opportunity to watch the Laudrup brofibers play together in a significant tournament for the first time. Michael's beef has been with the team's negative style of play but he has, temporarity at least, converted to the notion that Denmark do not have enough talent to play other than on the break.

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# **EURO 96**

THE COMPLETE GUIDE

**GROUP A** 

ENGLAND

After all the speculation about whether any of the "Cattisty Pacific Four" would be benished from the England squad, news of one expulsion did seep through to the team's Bisham Abbey headquarters yesterday: England officials have apparently banned The Sun from the team hotel less the subject matter disturbs the players so close to the big game. Tony Adams, who may displace David Platt as captain today, took the censoratip further when he revealed he was trying to ensure his colleagues did not read any newspapers or watch television. He said they had been watching videos and "doing things to relax the brain" instead.

Adams and Damen Anderton were the only players who were

Adams and Derrent Anderton were the only players who were brought out to see the press in the giant white tent that caters to the international media. Gary Neville has recovered from his thigh strain and should start against Switzerland but Les Ferdinand still has a groin problem and is unlikely to be



SWITZERLAND

British bureaucracy is often impenetrable but the spirit of Euro 96 helped to cut through the red tape when Credit Sulsse, aponsors of Switzerland, wanted to hang a good luck learner on the side of the Swiss National Tourist Office

in Leicester Squere.
Such advertising is strictly controlled in the West End but, after countiess calls and faces, Urs Ebertiard, the bank's hand honoho in the UK and frebrid, shally managed to hypass all the jobsworths and gath permission. "It book a long time but I suppose that is typical of you English," a bank spokesman said.

cents spokesman said.
It cost £4,000 to employ 12 men to scale the heights and unfur! the banner, but there is still a catch. It can remain there for only three days before it must flutter gently to earth. "Maybe if we reach the final we will try to put it up again," the spokesmen, beving slipped into pigs-might-fly



HOLLAND

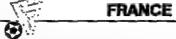
Sopret House Hotel and Country Club, set in deepest, rural Herifordshire, near St Albans, had seen little like it before the Holland squad inveded its neatly manicured grounds this week, it was no surprise that many of the guests were seen peering in behaused lashion from the overlooking belong, wondering what on earth was this bright orange gathering before them. They had no need to worry; the unexpected inveders were perfectly formed and perfectly behaved. Holland's coach, Guus Hiddinik, may have a few injury worries, the fitness of the Alax forward Patrick Khuivert in particular, leading up to his team's clash with Sottland at Villa Park on Blonday, but the players gave their onlookers a thrill and also performed admirably for the assembled press scrum. Considering the promised sums on offer, reported to be in the region of £160,000 per player, it they win the championship, they had much to look good about. Merey me, not even a hint of a broken TV.



Scotland are obliged to share their training complex for the Duropean championship finals, but the company they keep is proving affable. The squad is using the letsure facilities is proving aname. The square is using the amount incomes of the NFU Mutual in Stratford. On Thursday, around 1,000 employees and children had the opportunity to collect photographs and autographs. The attention was a little less abundent yesterday, but, as

he left the field, Ally McCoist was able to benter with aries who were leaning from a window in the office sacretaries who were learning from a window in the office block. The congenial surroundings were offered by NFU litural's managing director, Andrew Young, a Scot whom underlings claim is a keen Hangers supporter.

Exit Jess, the Coventry City midfield player, was withdrawn from the latter part of the training session because of a slight thigh strain, but it is expected to clear up in the next 24 hours and he should be available for Scotland's opening seach a gainst Haland on Bonday.



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GROUP B

SPAIN

Prepare for a culture shock when Spain make their first Eart 96 outing tomorrow. Gone are the days of Latin lassitude; laconicism is the watchword under coach Juvier Clemente.

laconicism is the watchword under couch Javier Clemente. His Basque work ethic has transformed the collection of disparate elements into a concise whole. Reassuringly, the Spanish build-up has been far from conventional. Only two triandles this year, more in the last month and only one week together before the big kick-off suggests either supreme confidence or total disregard by the Spanish footbelling numerical tist the latter, but Clemente has devised bizarra routines to offset the effects of a demanding domestic conspetition. His most loco idea is to lock the players in a sauma and then transfer them into a swimming pool filled with ice. "We have laid the worst of all the build-ups, but it has been the best as well," Clemente seld. Their play may be lease mysterious, but at least their siterances remain as imperietrable as ever.

BULGARIA

Tournament play, it seems, brings out the old iron Curtain mentality in the eastern Europeans. The Bulgartans are holed up in an isolated hotel in Scarborough and security is very tight—even the team press office had difficulty gaining entry this week.

They do like a good old conspiracy theory as well. Dimiter Peney, the Bulgarian coach, finally gave a press conference this week, only to descend immediately into dark matterings about the Eugarian. He accused them of trying to undermine his side by criticising the Bulgars based in Spain. "It won't work. They are trying to kick up a storm but we will ignore it," he said. If it all ansacks of paranois, don't be fooled. Penev was just playing little games and the reafity is that he arrived in England tull of confidence, and with good reason it would meen. "We are a better nide now than we were when we reached the World Cup semi-first two years ago," he said.

ROMANIA

With Kevin Keegen in the FTV studio and most of his players basking in the sun, Newcastle United's Durham training less, thaten Castle, is being borrowed by Pomenta cuting June, it was on this university-owned land that Anghet lordanescu's equad trained in bright sunshine yesterday. They have been settling into Redworth Hall, just north of Derlington, and charming members of that upmarket hote's health club by working out alongside them in the gym. A general lock of English is no berrier to the Romanisms' attraction, and immed three micromos have been expulsing the istest in figure-enhancing lycra locards as they bid to catch the eye of Floria Raduciolu et al.

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the Anghel of Bucherest will not like local paper talk about which of his charges might suit Poter Reid's Sunderland next season but surely no rumour can top that of a couple of

seasons ago when Keegan was supposedly sight Birthey lish and chip stray with Cheerying Hard.

Où set Cantone? To the Frence manager, Almé Jacquet, that question was becoming a little more perfinent as ties week. has progressed. Jacquet has received remarkably little criticism for his decision to ignore the obvious charms of the man many English supporters believe can walk the Channel that the French squad flew across yesterday.

first the French squed new across yestercary.

The strugs were becoming increasingly Gallic though, after Zinedine Zidene, the impostor who impudently assumed King Eric's crown, was struck down with injury. The problem is with the thigh muscle and the bulletins from the team doctor, Jean Marcel Ferret, have been darker by the hour.

Thenkfully for Jacquet, Zidene successfully came through a test against Armenia and the French arrived yesterday bureant as they checked into The George Hotel in buoyant as they checked into The George Hotel in Northumberland, A 2-0 victory on Wednesday exten unbeston sequence to 23 matches and improved already spering confidence. Qui a besoin de Cantona?



RUSSIA

Gisenost may have bad its moments, but it evidently has not infiltrated the Ministry of Sport and Tourism yet, instead in teen, outside Wigan, le proving aimost as netrable as the Kremiin in the old days. Guards patrol the corridors and visitors are discouraged. Yesterday the barriers came down briefly with an open resterday are barriers came down briefly with an open training session at Wigan Athletic. "This will be the only chance to meet the players," their press officer warned. It had been scheduled for 5pm today, until it was pointed out that it clasticd with the end of England's first game. The only question over the team is the replacements for the

injured first-choice full backs. The loss of the outstanding defender Nikiforov for the first game increases the problem, and there have been suggestions that Kanchelside could play using back, but they are more likely to play him in his more

### GROUP C

GERMANY

This has been an embarrausing ten days for the Germans. The last straw, the cancellation of yesterday's open training session at Macclesfield had, in the words of Wolfgang Morshach, their spokesman, had the "phone ringing off the walf" from disappointed fans. Bertle Vogts was unrepentant, insisting that the Macclesfield pitch was unsulfable: "Two been at every major championship since 1966, and every training pitch was far, far befor than the one we were given." The Germans will attempt to repair the public relations damage by trying to find an alternative pitch next week. "We feel we have an obligation to keep on doing public sessions, we're not trying to hide," Miersbach said. There was one German success, albeit for their medical profession, yesterday, it was announced that Mario Baster, who flew home earlier in the week, had had a loose piece of bone in his foot removed yesterday, and he is expected back today and to be fit to play against Russia next week. bone in his foot removed yesterday, and he is expec-today and to be fit to play against Russia next week.

### CZECH REPUBLIC

Some idiosyncratic preparation has left the Czechs looking reasonably likely to perform well in the demanding Group C. They woold Preston Grasshoppers rugby union club sufficiently effectively for the club's groundsmen to transform a muddy rugby field into a smooth soccer pitch for the Republic's training sessions. And the Czechs completely bowled over the village of Bamber Bridge despite trouncing their UniBond league side 9-1 on

despite trouscing their Unicona league save 3-1 on Thursday evening. Every member of the squad, apart from Kouba, took part in the triendity at trongate; Maier, the third-choice goalkeeper, even had a go in midfield. It seems that they have an embarrassment of riches with Berger, top scorer in the qualifying stages, not sure of a place in the starting line-up against Germany tomorrow. Smicek, the Newcastle United goalkeeper, is not too hopeful of selection — If Kouba recovers from his elbow injury he will still be first choice. recovers from his elbow injury he will still be first choice

**ITALY** 

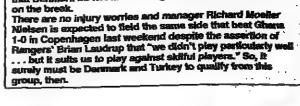
tially trawfed the north-west looking for a hotel prepared to accept their own chef and closed accommodation to anyone but the Italian squad. To say they are one of the more private leases of Euro 96 would be the understatement of the

of which the Italian contingent create a highly claustrophobic atmosphere. Roberto Mussi performed best under the spotlight looking very like Robert Redford, in front of camera

spotlight looking very like Robert Radiord, in front of camera litural was not really expected to be a first choice full back but was named for today's warm up game against Stoke City's under-18s. He is now just one step from playing at Anfield for which he has a "particular fascination" having supported Liverpool as a youngster.

Zola, also named for the warm-up match, expressed a vague interest in one day joining the FA Carting Premierable. Visillihas probably started a fastion.

arday Arrigo Secchi set a few players loose on the medi



PORTUGAL

Portugal are taking no chances with "mad cow" disease. The Portuguese cattle industry is sending its own beef and the squad have brought their own chef, dairy products and, inaving heard of Yorkshire Water's reputation, their own

having heard of Yorkshire Water's reputation, their own war with the to the portuguese are happy enough in South Yorkshire. They were greeted on Wednesday by a cliric reception in Sheffield, and trained at Sheffield Wednesday's training pitch the next morning. To make them feel really at home, the Companhia Paulo Ribeiro, Portugal's leading modern dance group, were at the Crucible last night. "All the people are very triandly, the facilities are very good, the training pitch is excellent," Vitor Bala, the ceptain, said and their first securion. His view of Paulo Ribeiro mort given. David Pleat, the Sheffield Wednesday manager, was equally complimentary in reverse, saying that he expected Portugel to win Group D.



TURKEY

Was it pure coincidence that a promotional start, involving a large model of a turkey, was taking place outside the team hotel in Selton, near Grantham, when the Turkish squad arrived for business on Tuesday? No matter, they are torgiving souls and it has not effected their plans for a

get-together and barbecue tonight. Though traditional Christmas fare is unlikely to be on the menu, Fath Terim and his squad will ast hearify and menu, Fatih Terim and his squad will aut heartily and contemplate their debut in the European championship finals. "We have waited more than 70 years for this chance and it is important that we make an impression," he said. Tugay Kerimogiu, the Galatasaray midfield player, has a foot injury but is Terim's only worry sheed of the game against Creatia on Tuesday. "It is the first time we have played them since Yugosiavie broke up and they will be playing with their hearts," he said, "but we have not come here to think about Creatia."

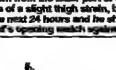


Drazen Ladic, the Croatia goaliseper, has been undergoing plenty of catching practice as Miroslav Blazevic's equad

have tuned in and chilled out in Instand this week. Letic, 33, is a keen angler and has been taking advantage of the piscatorial delights of Co Monaginan.

At first, Ladic cletimed to have caught a trout in a local lake. "He was trying to get his lunch but we recken he bought it down the road," a Croatian insider said. Then, a day later, he turned on the style for a television crow that just happened to be passing by, hauling in a brace of pike of the miniscule variety.

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Much bigger fry now lie shead for Ladic and company, with Croatia due to arrive in England today, to set up shop at their Group D headquarters at Oakhem, near Rutland, Leicestershire. What price Turkey are not so much staffed but rected right in at Nottingham Forest's City Ground on



### **MATCH-BY-MATCH GUIDE**

**GROUP A** 

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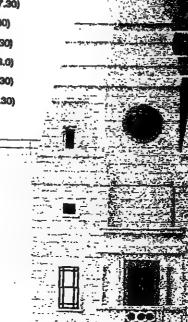
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# Still daft as a brush, but needed more than ever



Gascoigne in many ways he is still a young kid

hen Paul Gascoigne played for me in the 1990 World Cup in Italy, he was the best young player in the tournament. Things have turned a bit sour for him since then. He had the ligament injury in the FA Cup Final, the broken kneecap and the broken leg, but now he is back to something close to his best and he has got a new challenge: for his own sake and for England's, he has to become the most responsible player in the

European championship. I heard all the fuss about his behaviour on the flight home from Hong Kong. Like everything else, whatever happened on the plane will have been exaggerated by the tabloids. If it was Paul, then he deserves to be reprimanded, but suggestions that he should be kept out of the squad were unworkable. It does matter that he is one of our better players, it does matter that he is influential. We need him.

I made him wait before I gave him his chance at international level a couple of months before Italia 90. I must have watched him about 20 times before I picked him and I did not play him until I thought he was ready. When I first saw him, he was doing things like trying to nutmeg people outside his own box. If you do that at international level and lose the ball, you are going to be a goal down before you have time to blink.

I used to talk to him about discipline and, when I thought I could trust him, I put him in against Czechoslovakia at Wembley and he had a marvellous game. I thought to myself while I was watching him that night that this was a great

He was 23 then. He was young and coltish and a bit silly and I just thought that, with the passage of time, he would calm down a bit and have more sense, but now I don't think that is ever going to happen. He is always going to be someone who catches the public eye, for the right reasons or the wrong ones. He forgets who he is. In many ways, he is still a young kid.

Chris Waddle did a great job with

him in that 1990 England squad. He talked Geordie to him and slowed him down, and Peter Beardsley did the same, but he still managed to do the kind of things that made me call him daft as a brush. That was not a **Bobby Robson** looks at the potential impact

of his star from 1990 in this first of a series of exclusive articles to appear in The Times during Euro 96

vicious remark: it was intended as a term of affection, but it was the way he was.

The afternoon before the quarterfinal with Cameroon, for example, he played a game of tennis when we wanted him to be resting. He was first up and last to bed. He never missed anything. Wherever I was, he seemed to be there, too. I saw more of him than anyone else hecause of that and we got on very

I was always a bit concerned about him back then. He was dynamite, TNT. I put up with his off-the-pitch behaviour because he



was always making people laugh and raising spirits. My worry was that he would explode on the field and the prime example of that came with that booking against Germany which would have put him out of the World Cup final if we had got there. It was so unnecessary, too.

He is always going to have rushes of blood to the head during the course of a match. He never learns; that is the problem; but he needs to realise that this could well be his last tournament at this level and, if he has any sense at all, he will not let anything get in the way of him taking his chance. He will need to show the kind of sheer application that he has never shown before, but

He is still the key for England. He can give the pass that unlocks the door. He can see the pass that nobody else sees. All his injuries have pruned his development, but he has still got his dribble, he has still got his strength on the ball. If he can stay out of trouble, he, and players like him, will be a wonderful asset in a tournament where defenders should reign supreme.

I rate England's chances of doing well in Euro 96. It is hard to judge them properly because they have not had any truly competitive matches for the past 24 years. Whatever you say to players, they know it is only a friendly and they do not really dig it out for you, but, now that the tournament is here and points are at stake and they have to fight and scramble, I think their performance level will rise by 10 per cent, and that could give them an

McManaman and Anderton are fine touch players and Shearer cannot possibly go on not scoring. It will not be all new to Fowler and, even though I thought Beardsley was a gem, Terry has chosen Barmby instead. If they get the chances, any of those lads will knock

The quality of the other teams is so high that it is difficult to pick out a favourite, but I saw Germany beat Portugal 2-1 in Porto in March and they looked very accomplished. They had a bit of class and the teamwork was of a very high standard. They did not make many errors and they will be very difficult

Holland must be among the favourites, too. I know some of their players from my time with PSV Eindhoven and I like the Dutch way of playing. They keep possession. but they do not overpass. They will not give it away, but they are always looking to be progressive and pene-trative with it. If he is fit. Patrick Kluivert, their centre forward, should be the best young player in

That brings us back to Paul. If he keeps it sensible, he could put Kluivert and the rest of them in the

# Adams ready to e lead England on day of reckoning

TERRY VENABLES, the England coach, had posed with a symbol of the Three Lions for the ranks of jostling photogra-phers and Paul Gascoigne had perfected a new furny walk for the benefit of his teammates when Tony Adams, for so long the epitome of English footballing determination, sat down at a table in front of a horde of journalists. "Have we got a big game coming up then?" he asked, in mock

A big game, indeed. A game against Switzerland at Wembley today that will mark the beginning of England's attempt to crase, as their official song says, "30 years of hurt" by winning the European championship and adding another trophy to the World Cup won by Bobby Moore, Bobby Charlton and the rest in 1966. For Adams, it seems, it

may be bigger than most.

Although he refused to comment yesterday, sources close to Visables said that he had decided to play Gareth South-gate alongside Adams in a flat back four and persevere with Steve McManaman on the left side of midfield. That would mean no place for David Platt. the designated captain, leaving the armband to pass to his

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Arsenai team-mate. Venables will not name his team until an hour before the kick-off today. He emphasised yesterday that he wants to try to gain any edge he can over the opposition, and one theory was that the rumours about Platt were merely a smokescreen to try to throw Switzerland off the scent.

If Adams, who made a rousing call to arms to his team-mates yesterday, is handed the role, though, there can be little doubting his



suitability, even though he has only just regained full fitness after a long spell-out with

injury.
"I do not take part in any tournament or play in any game that I do not think I can win," Adams said. "I think we at me talent to do it. We need the rub of the green, but there is tremendous ability in this squad, which we have not been given enough credit for. It is about time for us to stand up and say 'We are a good side and start delivering.

"I am very patriotic and I see some of the Irish and Dutch lads at Arsenal who are so proud to play for their country and so proud of their players and I do not get the impression that we give ourselves the same kind of approval. In the dressing-room, whatever needs to be done, I do. I motivate the ones who need to be motivated, calm down the ones who need to be

calmed down." Adams said that he had been trying to pick out good omens to encourage the rest of the team. When Arsenal were going for the league champ-ionship in 1989, he had geed up his colleagues by reminding them that the club had won the title in 1953 and 1971 and was due another in the 18year cycle. Quite what succour he could drag out of 1936 to prove that English success comes in 30-year bouts, he ould not say.

Venables took a more stoical view of the weeks ahead. trying to calm the fervour that the must feel building through-out the country. "We can't think about winning the tour-nament." he said. "I know it's a cliché, but we have to take a ene ar a dile. Reading Swi rerland tomorrow is as much be nice to win and to entertain in a fashion that everyone

"It will be a great moment walking out at Wembley. It will be one of the gooseberry ones where you can feel the excitement. Am I nervous? No.



The Czech Republic players, Smicer, left, Bejbl. Berger and Novotny, get back to basics and move a goal before training in Preston yesterday

# Craftsman clocks on for Wembley shift

By Roy Hugnes POOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

BEFORE a ball is kicked in Euro 96. we imagine players on the rack of fear. their livelihoods entirely dependent on performance, their thoughts wandering no further than a pack of playing zarus irum 44-25 and oaner system Not so: waiting to take on England is Sebastien Jeanneret, a player apart in that he has a full-time living outside the game; and waiting to oppose Scotland at Villa Park on Monday is Johan de Kock, a civil engineer who plays part-time.

Jeanneret, who is hoping to be called up for his second cap for Switzerland today as a replacement for the sus-pended Marc Hottiger — is a watch-

Klinsmann

starts as

spectator

BY PETER BALL

the team's hotel yesterday

pects more from the favourites

regarded as the outsiders in

group C, but the first match in

a four-team group is often a cagey one, with both teams afraid of losing, and the Czechs are likely to provide

stubborn, well-organised, if

not particularly inspired oppo-

sition, their lack of an out-

standing striker telling ag-

Klinsmann is not the only

German missing the match through suspension. "So is

Steffan Freund, and he is an

important part of our team.

too," Vogts said. Since his

difficulties in the World Cup.

Vogts has been eager to insist

on the collective rather than

individual. "I know we can be

very, very strong as long as the

star is the team," he said

yesterday. "My star is not Klinsmann, or Hässler, or

The loss of Basler and

damaging than Klinsmann's absence, but, with Möller and

Hässler, Germany are not

short of creative options.

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maker. He is 22, came out of full-time study just six months ago, and with a diploma in the fine technical art of clock mechanism, he runs his own business repairing and restoring some of the finest antique clocks in the home of the clock. His grandfather was a

Unsurprisingly, Jeannerer unos extraordinary that he could play at Wembley this afternoon. Yet yesterday there was no detectable nervousness in him. Looking quite relaxed, he observed: "This is a sport; I like to be free to choose my life."

His main role in three seasons for Xamax Neuchâtel has been as a stopper, but if he plays on the right of midfield, his instincts will carry him forward every bit as much as we have

come to expect from Hottiger. Also in the team, Kubilay Turkyilmaz, born Swiss of Turkish parents, was the player whose two goals for Galatasaray, of Turkey, effectively removed Manchester United from the European Champions' League three years ago. Kubilay subsequently gave the almost obscene riches of the Istanbul club to return to Switzerland with Grasshopper. The reason? Again,

life outside football. "I have two daughters who are reaching school age," he said. "It is important to put ducation first."

So Kubilay, the scorer of three goals in five qualifying matches, another man from the continent for whom the obsession with professional football, the gamble of seeing everything of life through the training ground and the dressing room, has shown the deeper side of professionalism.

It will not be apparent when he seeks to further his name against Tony Adams and Co. Nor should Scotland presume that de Kock, because he has reached 31 years without impressing numselt on our knowled soft centre of Holland's defence. De Kock replaces the captain, Danny Blind, who is suspended, and he never expected to be judged as a like replacement. The 25 per cent of his working life that is put into football, however, may be more than it seems ... after all the "full-time" English and Scottish professionals usually start their working day at 10.30am and are gone shortly after noon.

### McCoist keen to make his mark

By KEVIN McCARRA

ALLY McCOIST was asked yesterday to add his signature to one of the fair play plaques that will be completed by each of the 16 nations in the European championship finals. McCoist, the Rangers forward, perhaps reading the text, paused for a moment and the hesitation was long enough for someone to yell at him: "Just put down your X."

At 33, McCoist is eager to make some sort of mark in the next few weeks. For all his prolific ways at club level, he is yet to score in the finals of a significant international tournament. Asked about his desire to correct the oversight, McCoist declared that the needs of the team were greater than those of the individual and that victory itself mattered more than the identity of the man who secured it.

McCoist, however, is 100 mischievous to tolerate even his own platitudes and he could not continue with the homily for long. "I'm sure you've heard all this rubbish before," he said suddenly. Gary McAllister, the Scotland captain, was also having difficulty with the notion that his team-mate can really have

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become seifless. "Do you think he's going to cut the ball back?" he asked.

McCoist counts himself fortunate merely to have the opportunity to decide whether he will be altruistic or just his old, greedy self. On May 18, he missed the Tennents Scottish Cup final after picking up a calf injury in the pre-match warm-up.

That was as big a blow as I've had in my whole career." McCoist said, "and it left me with a nagging doubt about playing in the European championship.
"Fortunately, I had a little

time and not playing in the first match of our American tour, against the United States, gave me three more days before I had to make my comeback in the Colombia game and I was able to last 70 minutes there. I know I was close to missing this tourna-

While McCoist is bound to feature at some stage in Scotland's three group matches, he may not be in the starting lineup against Holland at Villa Park on Monday. There is, however, a great need to end his country's tradition of sterility on these occasions. Craig Brown, the Scotland

manager, has, in various ca-

pacities, been part of the

coaching staff at three tournaments - the World Cups of 1986 and 1990 as well as the 1992 European championship - and, on each occasion. Scotland have lost the opening match 1-0. The first game, Brown said, "is critical. It would be an uphill struggle to qualify if we were beaten." He knows, too, that Holland are hardly the most suitable opponents for a country attempting to rid itself of such a junx.

### Denmark rely on Laudrups

GERMANY go into their first game, against the Czech Re-DENMARK begin the defence of their title at public at Old Traiford tomor-row, without Jürgen Hillsborough tomorrow against a side well equipped Klinsmann, but with pressure to show whether or not Richfrom home and abroad that is ard Moeller Nielsen, the Denmark coach, has adopted the more than equal to that on.

correct tactical approach.

Portugal have faith in
young talent and play in an "Our aim is to qualify from the group, and then see how we do," Berti Vogts, their coach, said after training at attacking free-flowing style. Denmark, who have in Schmeichel the best goalkeeper in the competition, will aim to combine stern defending with swift counter-attacks, built around the talents of the in theory. Germany have the best possible start against the Czechs, who are widely

Laudrup brothers. Michael Laudrup, the Real Madrid midfield player, who missed the 1992 tournament because he would have preferred another coach, is not looking beyond the quarter-

"We are enjoying just being here," he said. "We were in a very strong [qualifying] group, but we made it. Now we are in a group where I think anything can happen. Croatia, Turkey and Portugal are three strong, technically very good teams, but they still have to show what they can do in the final rounds."

Middlesbrough supporters will be particularly interested in the form of Mikkel Beck, of Denmark, who wants to come to England and play under Bryan Robson, if he can settle a contract dispute with Fortuna Köln, his German seconddivision club.

Basler or Bobic; my star is the Portugal, whose best effort in the championship was in Freund from midfield, the 1984, when they reached the semi-finals, will be hoping area of greatest strength for the Czechs, is potentially more that Rui Costa and Paulo Sousa can be more consistently effective than they were for Fiorentina and Juventus during the Italian season.

### Spotlight beckons **Spaniards**

By DAVID MADDOCK

WITH interest in the European championship so far concentrated on England's unconventional preparations and the intimidating presence of Germany and Italy, group B, stuck out as it is in Newcastle and Leeds, has

received scant attention. All that will change come tomorrow, when Spain meet Bulgaria in the opening fixture. The insular British may have to concede that the group, completed by France and Romania, is possibly the toughest of all. Given its quiet start, it could be called the group of whispering

France are rightly regarded among the favourites - their unbeaten sequence stretches to 23 matches - but Spain are surely not far behind them. They have silently become a world force, thanks to Javier Clemente, their coach. The man from the Basque region of Spain has instilled a discipline and work ethic in his national team and his recent record - unbeaten in qualifying for Euro 96, conceding just four goals - is testimony to his powers.

A worry for Spain is their lack of a consistent goalscorer to lead the line, but Clemente's bigger worry is the ludicrously short amount of time he has had to prepare - just one week, because of the neverending soap opera of the

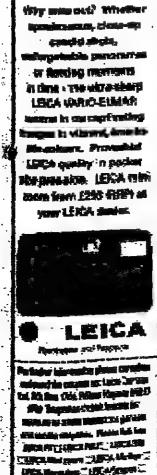
Bulgaria have been together for the past two months and present a formidable challenge. Dimitar Penev, their coach, believes that the time has come for his side. "We are a better team than two seasons ago, when we could have won the World Cup," he said.



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Venables expected to leave out Platt for opening match against Switzerland

# Football needs safe European home

IT IS a time to accentuate the positive. At three o'clock this afternoon the most important sporting event England has staged for 30 years is launched when the national team plays its first serious game for 30 months, against Switzerland. The country must bond together to ensure Euro 96 runs smoothly.

Success need not be tied to the remote prospect of England repeating their triumph in the 1966 World Cup. They may not be as good as that; Germany and Italy, and even Croatia. France and Spain, may be so much better. And in reality. Euro 96 represents a greater challenge to the country, to the civil order and the welcoming mood of the people, than it depends on 22

players.
"Coming home" and "We are in this together" are the slogans. For three weeks, the motherland of the world's most popular game will undergo something like a re-birth. There is pain, expectancy, fear. The players, appearing from behind the white security screens of their training ground and, one trusts, thoroughly dried out after their tour of the Far East. have a responsibility. Paul Gascoigne, if only he can use his ability, can indulge all his unusual traits and be a hero. Alan Shearer, so rapacious a goalscorer in the league, must break his 1,065-minute drought for the national team and show those who believe the tighter marking of continental teams, the intelligence of sweepers, blunts his headon, aggressive approach.

"Don't tell anybody how good you are," Arnold Palmer's father used to tell the young golfer. "Show 'em!" Show us all, indeed. One

can only guess about the make-up of the teams at Wembley this afternoon. Terry Venables exercises his right to play the managerial game of "you first", and Artur Jorge reciprocates in kind. The two of them will hand in their team-sheets together, each hoping to have outfoxed the

pageant of a cast of 1,000, subject, inevitably, is Gas-



Football Correspondent

including medieval knights in armour, has deared, will probably prove as inert as the FA Cup finalists, Manchester United and Liverpool, said it was last month. You cannot water a pitch when a pageant is so important, and players already nervous and cautious inaugural match will suffer on it. That is the excuse over and done with; now for some

Venables has called 54 players to training in his two years in charge; 47 of them made it into an England shirt, 27 for the first time. At the end, he relies on a squad containing seven players with Tottenham Hotspur connections. This smacks of a coach restlessly trying to find performers to fit the system he believes will carry the old country towards the new, continental ap-proach. That he should go back to his roots, to a Tottenham team that won so little, is unnerving; but block selection is the vogue. The Dutch, for example, have 14 of their 22 with Ajax connections.

spoken about his favourite "He was sensational when he was at Tottenham. and he might now be as good again," the coach said. "In fact, because he's learning to release the ball quicker, to give himself time to go on his runs,

Through the comparative



Adams, who is likely to captain England against Switzerland at Wembley today, makes his point in lion-hearted fashion yesterday. Photograph: Marc Aspland

coigne. As a rider, Venables adds that it is not his duty to control the enthusiasm or the nature of England's most gifted creator ... the inference is that players are born, not

David Platt, the England captain, might be the obverse to that. Unquestionably a man whose achievements have been constructed through good habits and application, he scores from midfield even when his part in build-ups goals, when England are ca- Marc Hottiger, and the teen- England have no suspended Germany have 22, Italy, Rus-

pable of precious few. If the grapevine is right, Platt is out of the starting line-up. One suspects that Venables thinks Switzerland will attack with three players, Marco Grassi, ephane Chapuisat and Kubilay Turkyilmaz, and, erefore, the "new England" of only three in defence, must

be shelved for an afternoon. The Swiss, damaged by the broken toe Christophe Ohrel, the midfield player, suffered on Monday, and weakened by

age midfield player, Raphael Wicky, are considering at least one part-time professional with only one taste of interna-

Jeanneret, but that represents only one of the "host" advantages England enjoy.

tional football. Sebastien

players, unlike Switzerland, Holland, who start the tournament without their captain, Danny Blind, and Germany, who begin without Jürgen Klinsmann.

Playing on home territory and denying, because of a 'misunderstanding"; Switzerland the right to train on the Vembley field, are two more. But the principal perk of the host is to start the tournament; should England also finish it. they will have 23 days in

symbol of Euro 96 could be Patrick Kluivert, of Holland and Ajax, the rising star of the pop culture that football is now becoming. He will recieve a bonus of £170,000 if Holland win the tournament. The £670 million that BSkyB has agreed to pay for four more years of FA Carling Premiership football means that England's wealthy clubs could pay the asking price for Kluivert, or

sia and Croatia only 20. The

whoever takes the eye in the What cannot be bought is Referent V Diaz (Spoin).

peace. "Nothing has shaken my belief that Euro 96 will be a festival not only of football but also of the English way of life." Thus said Graham Kelly, the FA chief executive, on the Dublin 15 months ago. The game's future here depends on him being proved right.

### Cecil holds powerful **Derby** hand

HENRY CECIL won the Oaks with Lady Carla yesterday and spoke confidently of completing a rare Epsom classic double by landing the Vodafone Derby this after-noon (Richard Evans writes). Cecil, the ten times champion trainer, is double-handed for the world's most famous Flat race and said: "We are very pleased with Dushyantor and Storm Trooper and are going to have a really good go. They have come through everything right and come to a peak like Lady Carla, It is a question now of whether they are good enough."

Cecil was the last trainer to complete the Oaks-Derby double, with Oh So Sharp and Slip Anchor in 1985. Dushyantor will be ridden by Pat Eddery and is 4-1 favourite while Storm Trooper, the mount of Mick Kinane, has been well backed during the past 24 hours to 6-1. While Cecil attempts to send out his fourth Derby winner, Alex Greaves will become the first woman to ride in the 216 years of the Derby. Greaves, 28, rides Portuguese Lil, the 500-1

# Staunch Hussain keeps England in control

SCOREBOARD FROM EDGBASTON

BY ALAN LEE CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

EDGBASTON (second day of five): India, with all secondinnings wickets in hand, are 94 runs behind England

ENGLAND have spent as long in the search for an effective No 3 as Nasser Hussain has spent seeking the fulfilment of a Test career. The two ambitions happily coincided yesterday, and the benefits, for both parties, of Hussain's maiden century

may be more than short-term. The immediate prognosis is that England ought to win the first Cornhill Test, although there were times yesterday when their control was dan-

gerously eroded. Beyond that, England can at last lnk in the name of a man who has frustrated nobody more than himself by his protracted battie to conquer temperament with talent.

It is six years since Hussain made his precocious entrance to Test cricket, three years since the last of his seven games. The second coming of which he sometimes despaired has now been achieved in style and, what is more, in the position where a steady stream of candidates have tried and failed to hold down. The last century made by an England No 3 came from Mike Gatting, 14 Tests ago. Eight different batsmen have been asked to bat there within

those games. Nobody else will have the chance for a while. Hussain played magnificently for more than five hours, as he needed to do.

India, stung by the careless-ness of their batting, respond-ed so tigerishly with the ball that, for long periods, the game hung in the balance. At one stage, England had plunged to 215 for eight, only one run ahead.

The most untrustworthy pitches can often produce the most gripping cricket and this was a case in point. Warwickshire are sensitive on the issue, but the fact remains that this has been a poor surface. That the outcome has been two intriguing days, however, is

England's overnight position was soon exposed as illusory. On a humid morning, shortened by a 20-minute shower, they lost three wickets and might easily have lost five or six. Javagal Srinath bowled with skill, venom and no luck whatsoever. Prasad and Mhambrey, his underrated partners in seam, assisted ably and England lived on their nerve-ends.

Knight was out to the secand ball of the day, which kept low. Two of the next three flew past Hussain's nose. He was disconcerted neither by this nor by the alarms that he was to experience up to lunch, by when he had batted two hours for 19. He was proclaiming his maturity, advertising his patience and focus. The exotic shots - the late cuts, cover drives and leg glances would come later.

Atherton, having twice edged Prasad just short of the slip cordon, eventually drove at Mhambrey and was caught, jugglingly, at second slip. Thorpe came out blazing, survived a couple of top-edged pulls and was then bowled, off at and pad, by Srinath.

Hick was watched by his parents, over from Zimbabwe, where they have compiled 23 scrapbooks of his career. This will not be an innings that they will wish to highlight, for its watchful beginnings were squandered by a pull to long leg, where two men had been set for such a stroke.

S. V. Manjrekar, S. R. Tendulkar, "M. Azharuddin, fN R. Mongia, S.B. Joshi, A. Kumble, J. Srinath, P.L. Mhambray and B.K. V. Prasad to bat. BOWLING: Lewis 1,2-0-5-0 (1 lour); Cork 1-1-0-0.

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Now, however, came England's jauntiest batting. Ronnie Irani has taken to international cricket with engaging gusto and he simply did what comes naturally. hitting the ball cleanly from his imposing height. Of the 46 added in ten overs with Hussain, Irani made 34 from 34 balls before falling to a lifter from Srinath, kicking the ground in self-disgust and offering a disarming grin of

apology to umpire Hair. This was the first of four wickets to tumble for 20 runs. The other three fell in eight balls from Prasad, who yorked Russell and found Lewis and Cork flirting outside off stump. Hussain was still in the sixties, but, as the bowlers tired, the softer ball behaved more placidly and, with the tail playing sensibly he virtually doubled his

When Patel was leg-before to Kumble, an out-of-sorts bowler. Hussain had reached 93, but Mulially, whose career average is seven, accompanied him in a frisky stand of 49. India, so close to turning this game on its head, looked deflated and it was as well for them that the weather closed in with 15 overs unbowled.

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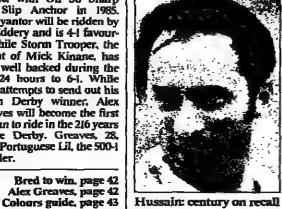
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# Zhirinovsky's wild words cast spell over the workers

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN OREKHOVO-ZUYEVO

DRESSED in a canary-yellow blazer and shielded from the summer sun by an incongruous EU umbrella, Vladimir Zhirinovsky strutted up to the microphone before launching into his familiar tirade.

The West was colonising the great Russian nation. A corrupt and incompetent Government needed to be ousted from power. Russia cried out for a firm hand to restore order and rebuild its greatness. The time for Zhirinovsky had come.

In a 45-minute outburst the ultra-nationalist firebrand managed to keep the attention of a crowd of 1,000 in this industrial town east of Moscow, by shocking and amus-ing his audience in a performance that Mussolini would have envied.

"I will be voting for him," said Andrei, 36, a factory worker, who added that Russia needed a new leader to rebuild the country without taking it back on the road to communism. "I like the way



he speaks and I believe in what he says." Aside from a brief cam-paign pledge to house, employ

and protect Russia, Mr Zhirinovsky, 50, spent most of his address in a character assassination of his rivals. President Yeltsin led a weak, lazy and corrupt administration which had turned Russia into a colony of America. The only distinction of Gennadi Zyuganov, the Communist Party leader, was his time as a cook in the army. Grigori Yavlinsky, the liberal candidate, was a CIA agent.

"There is only one week left to choose," said the ultra-nationalist, jabbing his finger at the crowd. "Don't go to your dachas. Think about the country's future and what you can do to save it. Think about your

His anti-Establishment. anti-Western and anti-Semitic outbursts are well received by the country's sizable population of have-nots, many of whom are ready to overlook his Jewish parentage and links to the Kremlin.

"Zhirinovsky knows he cannot win the election, but he has run a good campaign and will probably emerge with a healthy showing," said Sergei Markov, a political analyst at the Carnegie Centre in Mos-cow, "He could use that support to bargain with."

Bomb blast: Valeri Shan-

tsev, candidate for Deputy Mayor of Moscow, was wounded by a bomb that exploded outside his apart-



Karl Hass, 84, a former SS major, is taken to a military hospital in Rome after jumping from the first floor of his hotel yesterday when he was due to testify in a war crimes trial

## Rome atrocity trial's SS witness injured in hotel escape bid

FROM RICHARD OWEN IN ROME

THE war crimes trial of the former SS captain, Erich Priebke, took a dramatic turn yesterday when a fellow SS member who was about to give vital evidence for the prosecution tried to escape from his guarded hotel by jumping 15ft from the first floor, breaking his pelvis and damaging vertebrae.

Hass had later received several mysterious telephone calls, changed his mind about testifying and tried to escape. But a police spokesman insisted Herr Hass had had only one phone conversation, with his daughter in witherland.

Herr Priebke, 82, was extradited from Argentina last

damaging vertebrae.

There was speculation that members of a shadowy net-work of former SS officers had threatened Karl Hass, 84, who agreed only reluctantly to appear in court. "I fear there has been some external interference," said Antonio Intelisano, the military prosecutor, who per-suaded Herr Hass, a former SS major, to come to Rome from Switzerland to give evidence and guaranteed his

safety.
Signor Intelisano said
Herr Hass had told police in
the military hospital where he is now under redoubled guard that he had become "airaid to testify". The prosecutor, who met Herr Hass on Thursday night, said he had

tradited from Argentina last year and went on trial last month accused of taking part in the massacre of 335 Italian men and boys at the Ardeatine Caves, on the edge of Rome, in March 1944. Former partisans have testified that they were tortured by Herr Priebke at the Gesta-

po HQ in Rome.

Herr Hass, who worked for the SS intelligence service and claims he helped Western secret services after the war, would have introduced a new element into the trial by implicating Herr Priebke in the June 1944 murder of Bruno Buozzi, a trade union leader and MP, who was taken out of Gestapo head quarters and driven north just as American troops were

#### Gestapo officer demands return of art hoard

FROM ROGER BOYES

A FORMER Gestapo and SS officer has come out of the shadows to fight for the return

of his art collection from eastern German galleries.

When the Allies began bombing Chemnitz, where Jochen Thuenmer ran the police administration, he ordered his collection to be moved to a depot in the Erzgebirge mountain range. The crates, marked with his name, were placed alongside the property of state museums. After the war, his collection was absorbed into tion was absorbed into

Chemnitz city museums. Herr Thuemmler claims it included an 8th-century silver goblet, a Renaissance baptismal font, and paintings. But Peter Fittig, the culture director of Chemnitz City Council. said: "We will give nothing to

a criminal." Under postwar Soviet military law, all war criminals had to forfeit their property. But Herr Thuemmier has never been convicted, and all charges were dropped in 1970.

Chemnitz City Council maintains that the Soviet decree applied to police chiefs even if war crimes were unproven. But his case, now in court, has highlighted another controversy: that of Holocaust victims seeking the return of art treasures they claim are in eastern German museums.

Herr Thuemmler says his collection is composed of heirlooms but concedes that some works were brought from Dresden, where he was police chief in 1938. Many Jews were forced to sell off their treasures cheaply. Historian Peter Heuss says a "large portion" of his collection was almost certainly Jewish property.

#### Prague Left puts brake on market reforms

By ROGER BOYES

THE Government of Vaciav Klaus, the most Euro-sceptic leader in Central Europe, may yet survive its battering at the polls but will have to surren-der some of its Thatcherite zeal in privarising the economy.

That was the outlook last

night after a deal was struck among the three centre-right parties and the opposition Social Democrats, which recorded surprisingly high gains in last weekend's elections.

Milos Zeman, the Social Democrat leader, said that he had accepted a deal whereby his party takes the leadership of parliament in return for support of Mr Klaus's minority Government. Mr Klaus's Civic Democracy Party and his two junior coalition partners command

200-member parliament. The conditions for backing Mr Klaus are tough. "If the programme of the Government has, as one of its items, further privatisation of transport and energy networks we will not support it," Mr Zeman

President Havel, who said that the new Parliament would meet on June 17, seems confident that the new arrangement will survive the full four-year term.

But Mr Zeman hinted that new elections could come as early as 1998. It is therefore by no means clear that Mr Klaus will lead his country into negotiations for membership of the European Union.

There is no doubt that the Czech Republic has jurched to the left. Mr Zeman wants, in addition to slower privatisation, important concessions on pensions, healthcare and education.

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#### Patten acts over 'lost' refugee children

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY IN HONG KONG

CHRIS PATTEN, the Governor of Hong Kong, has ordered an inquiry into the 18-day separation of a three-year-old Vietnamese child from her parents after last month's breakout at a detention camp.

The inquiry will also look into how a five-year-old Vietnamese girl was jailed for 12 days in a prison. Their cases have been officially described

as "unforgivable".

The girls, born in the camps, were among children separated from their parents during the breakout on May 10 from the High Island Camp. There are 17,000 boat people remaining in Hong Kong camps, most of whom refuse to return to Vietnam.

The three-year-old, Lun Thi Mai, had wandered to another part of the camp during the breakout. She was sent to another camp but was not returned to her parents until May 29.

Both sets of parents insist they reported their children missing from May II. The five-year-old girl, named Hong Kong, was detained in the camp's "monkey house" for troublemakers. Her mother said the Correctional Services Department refused to accept her repeated attempts to report her missing daugh-ter. She says the authorities told her on May 16 that Hong Kong was in Victoria prison. But she was not returned to

# Brother repelled by grim legacy of Pol Pot's terror

THE old man sits cross-legged on the balcony, occasionally dabbing the sweat from his rainy season, the last memory Loth Suong needs is of his younger brother, Saloth Sar better known to the world as

If he is dead, his family will not mourn his passing. Loth Suong, 85 and debilitated by a stroke, refuses to talk of Poi Pot. Like many older middleclass Cambodians, he finds Kampuchea Year Zero, when many friends died or disappeared in conditions of pathet-ic subjugation to children with guns, difficult to erase.

That this genocidal horror was caused by a young brother whom he once looked after only deepens the revulsion. Mr Suong's son-in-law, a Royal Ballet dancer, said: "All questions about him we do not answer. We do not want to."

Mr Suong, whose twilight years are spent in a traditional stilt house near Phnom Penh's Pochentong airport, is the only surviving relative of Pol Pot in the capital. Of nine siblings, four are living in rural Kompong Thom province to the north. None of the family has been in touch with the man known by his Khmer Rouge stalwarts as "Brother Number One" for more than 20 years.



Loth Suong: refuses to talk of Year Zero

du Protocol at the palace until his young brother's guerrillas "liberated" the capital in 1975. The irony of Pol Pot's life is that he was brought up in middle-class circumstances by a family that for generations had served the royal household. In the 1940s, Mr Suong and his wife. Chea Samy. looked after the young Saloth Sar as he studied at some of the city's best French schools. The contemptible Pot was a lovely child," Mr Suong once told the Australian political

analyst David Chandler. Yesterday the Cambodian Government gave no official confirmation of his death. although King Norodom Sihanouk. in a letter from Peking. said that "one of the most

terrible tragedies in our history" was nearly over. Khmer Rouge radio has still said nothing of a funeral for Pol Pot described by the guerrilla movement's fighters near the Thai border on Thursday. Security analysts in Phnom Penh doubted that Pol Pot's

death would signal the end of the Khmer Rouge, whose numbers have dwindled to about 6,000 from 50,000 seven years ago. It could, however, tering into different groups. While Pol Pot's right-hand man, Khieu Samphan, is based in the heavily fortified Phnom Malai base on the Thai border, the rebels' notorious one-legged military com-mander. To Mok, operates further east and deeper into Cambodian territory from a jungle retreat called Anlong Ven. It is here that the kidnapped British mine expert, Christopher Howes, is reportedly being held.

Sok Chenda, Cambodia's Junior Tourism Minister, whose family was wiped out by Pol Pot, said yesterday there was no cause for celebration. "I was born Cambodian. and the horrors of our past cannot be undone. All I want to do is turn the page. My parents and brothers are gone I am alone.

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Goddess Victoria, a Berlin landmark, is provided with a gas mask by a Greenpeace activist yesterday during a protest against summer smog

#### Suu Kyi league banned by junta

FROM AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE

BURMA'S military government has issued an order authorising the Home Ministry to ban Aung San Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy and imprison its mem-bers, state-run Rangoon radio reported yesterday.

The order, signed by Senior General Than Shwe, gives the ministry power to ban any organisation holding unlawful gatherings or obstructing the development of a constitution through the Govern-ment's National Convention, the report said. The junta's

ban is effective immediately.

Members of a proscribed group could be given jail sentences of between five and 20 years and fines if found guilty of encouraging or instigating activities that "adversey affect the national interest", the broadcast said.

Thousands of supporters have gathered outside Daw Suu Kyi's residence every weekend since she was freed from six years of house arrest last July, despite a prohibition on political gatherings of more

than five people.

The democracy league was told on Thursday that the party would be banned if it went ahead with a resolution adopted at a party congress last week to draft an alternative constitution and continued to hold public meetings. The league's officials said they would hold meetings this

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## Bankruptcy brings black days to sunshine islands

FROM JOHN CAMPBELL IN WELLINGTON

IT IS a South Pacific paradox. The Cook Islands, 15 paradisal dots in a warm ocean three hours northeast of New Zealand, are bankrupt. The Cooks, as they are called in the region, have everything going for them. Except, that is, a Government that can live within its means.

A former colony of New Zealand, the Cook Islands have a population of 20,000 and a public debt of US\$120 million (£80 million).

In the Cook islands such figures have been regarded as trivial distractions. But this week the creditors cried "enough". After a meeting in Fiji on Monday, the Cook Islands' Government has agreed to a debt repayment programme that will see more than half the 3,000 civil ser-

vants lose their jobs. The creditors' meeting followed the Cook Islands defaulting on a debt to the tiny

South Pacific nation of Nauru. The Cooks also owe money to New Zealand, Australia, Japan, Italy, America and the Asian Development Bank.

A leading article on Wed-

nesday in New Zealand's highest-circulation newspaper accused the islands of "a shameful degree of political corruption, gross economic mismanagement, woefully in-ept administration and shameless political patron-age". Such pique may be explained by the fact that New Zealand is a substantial for-

has been used to prop up a magnificent welfare system and provide almost one in three of the population with jobs in 52 government departments. New Zealand might have ignored all that except that the Cooks explored being a tax haven as one way to draw overseas investors. The solution to the Cooks' problem, supported by the

eign aid donor to the Cooks. It

appears much of that money

Asian Development Bank, is to slash government spending and embark on a big privatisation programme. The job losses resulting from both options will take a serious social toll, but the Government was struggling to pay its workers anyway. Paradoxical-ly. New Zealand, having balked at subsidising the wages of a bloated Cook Islands civil service, may find itself paying for those same people to be made redundant.

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# Archaeologists feel heat from Israeli religious extremists

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

UP TO 300 archaeological digs in the Holy Land are under threat because of the new-found political power of extremist religious parties, with a record 23 seats in the 120-member Knesset.

Among an array of demands put forward by the Shas, United Torah Judaism and National Religious parties as their price for joining the right-wing coalition of Binyhamin Netanyahu, the newly elected Israeli Prime Minister, are calls for an end to all excavation of gravesites.

Religious sources are further insisting that no excava-tions be carried out without

KEY ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES TARGETED

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THE Israeli religious par-

ties' demand that archaeolo-

gy should be restricted will be

widely opposed within Israel

and abroad. The country

currently hosts more excava-

tions than any other in the

Middle East, with a density

of diggers among the highest

Archaeology has also been a potent tool of Israeli poli-

the Jewish state in 1948. Israel

has used the remains of the

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permission of the Chief Rabbi. and that inspectors from the ultra-Orthodox, or Haredi, community be assigned to

Ultra-Orthodox Jews have long opposed archaeological activities in Israel, fearing they might desecrate Jewish remains, which they regard as sacred. However, Ami Mazar, director of the Hebrew University's respected Archaeological Institute, described the demands as "absurd".

"If they are accepted, it would mean an end to archaeological activity in Israel." he said. Mr Mazar, who like many secular Israelis is de-

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past to bolster its modern

claim to ancient Palestine,

from Galilee to Gaza, and

from Moab to Mount

Dozens of digs each year

are carried out on sites rang-

ing in age from the Palacolithic -- Ubeidiya is

estimated to be nearly a

million years old - to the

Christian era. Only sites of

the Islamic period from the

7th century onwards have

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Restrictions likely to

provoke anger abroad

By Norman Hammond, archaeology correspondent

Carroel.

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spairing about the change in society being demanded by the religious parties, said research had already been seriously affected by a ruling last year that bones are no longer to be considered antiquities. "This means that we have to turn over bones to the Ministry of Religious Affairs for burial the same day that we find them," Mr Mazar complained. "This has put an end to any serious anthropological study."

He said that If archaeolo-

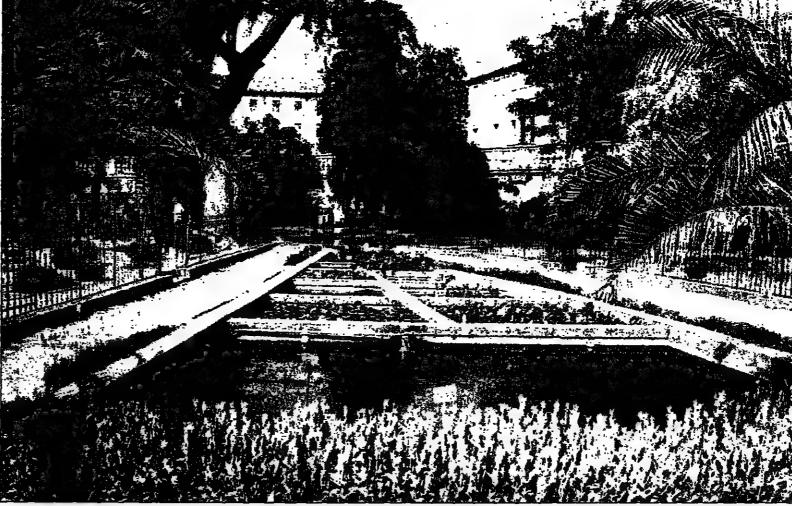
gists were not permitted to carry out their work, it would have a serious impact on development projects since, by law, no building or road can be built on a site containing antiquities if the site has not been excavated by

archaeologists. One of the hardline coalition negotiators, Rabbi Avraham Ravitz of the United Torah Judaism Party, confirmed that a change in the antiquities law "may be necessary. What we are doing is simply to honour the bones of the dead. Please do not follow the words of those israeli politicians who describe us as primitive people opposed to science. That is just

The sweeping nature of the religious demands has caused anger in Mr Netanyahu's Likud party and deep anxiety in Israeli society, with many members of the secular majority fearful that they are being ushered into a Jewish fundamentalist state reminiscent of the Islamic fundamentalism

Anxiety has increased after reports that the ultra-Orthodox Jews are demanding a ban on legal abortions now granted for "socio-economic reasons", an enforcement of Sabbath driving and transport bans in secular areas, an extension of the law banning the import of non-kosher meat, and a reversion to the 1992 laws affecting places of entertainment.

Even the Jerusalem Post. a strong backer of the Right in the election, expressed alarm in an editorial, attacking the "intolerable" efforts of the religious parties to interfere in the lives of secular Jews.



The water-garden of Padua, founded in 1545. The town's botanical riches are in peril because building work has disturbed water supplies

## Treasures of Padua's paradise garden under threat

FROM RICHARD OWEN IN ROME

EUROPE'S oldest botanical garden, visited and celebrated by writers and plant lovers from John Evelyn to Goethe, is dying because building work near by has drained the aquifers on which the garden's care plants

The garden - the Orto Botanico was founded in 1545 by the Doge of

Venice as part of the ancient University of Padua. It began as a collection of medicinal herbs, similar to the Chelsen Physick Garden. It swiftly expanded and acquired some of the rarest plants in the world, making Padua into a mecca for botanists.

The garden is threatened by the construction of an underground car park beneath a block of flats on adjacent land. While digging the foundations, the contractors are alleged to have drained the aquifers which have fed the five-acre garden for the past four and a half centuries. Plants at risk include a famous

palm tree - Chamaerops humilis arborescens — which was planted in 1585 and which inspired Goethe to formulate his theory of the metamorphosis of plants when he visited Padua in 1787. Other endangered species include what is said to be the oldest Himalayan cedar in Europe,

sequoia; and a grove of hickories 100ft high, planted in 1760. Yew trees at the edge of the garden have already

Patrizio Giulini, professor of botany at Padua University and one of the garden's official conservationist says he lobbied against the building work when it began a year ago, warning of the possible dangers. He was overruled by the local authorities.

## Syria rejects Netanyahu line

By Christopher Walker

AS LEADERS of Egypt and Saudi Arabia gathered for a mini-summit in Damascus yesterday, Syria issued a blunt warning that the hardline approach by Israel's rightwing Prime Minister-elect was jeopardising the Middle East beaut burners

Shortly before President Mubarak of Egypt and Crown Prince Abdullah of Saudi Arabia met President Assad, the state-controlled Syrian media claimed that Israel's attempt

to negotiate while refusing to contemplate returning the occupied Golan Heights would torpedo the whole process.

The Israeli extremists must understand that what they promote as peace for peace are hollow and meaningless calls that no Arab can accept," the daily al-Thawra said. "Peace will either be through regain-ing the whole of the [Israelioccupied] Arab territory or it will never be.

The warning came as Israel radio broadcast the first details of the policy framework of Binyamin Netanyahu's Likud-led Government. The guidelines amplified the rightwing concept of Eretz, the biblical land of Israel. The broadcast said that under the

vision of Jerusalem, continued Israeli occupation of the Golan, and expansion of Jewish settlements in the occupied West Bank. The lack of any mention of Labour's formula of "land for peace" was seen as evidence that it has been

jettisoned by Mr Netanyahu.

new policy, there would be no

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#### Reluctant US agrees housing rights accord

By Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor

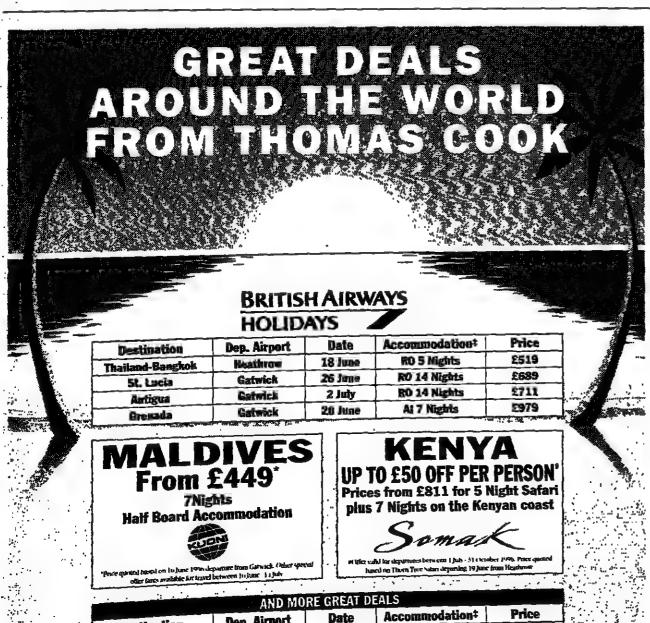
the United Nations housing summit in Istanbul was resolved yesterday, after America withdrew its opposition to the declaration of adequate

housing as a human right. Europe has supported calls from developing countries for this right to be enshrined in the Habitat II final agenda, but America, wary of possible

litigation by homeless people,

THE last contentious issue at insisted that housing was already covered by other international guarantees of rights.

The US agreed yesterday to a Canadian-brokered compromise. It states: "Everyone has a right to an adequate standard of living for themselves and their families, including adequate food, clothing, housing, water and sanitation, and for the continuous improvement in living conditions."





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## New intellectual pin-up woos the French with talk of love

## Stylish thinker has fashionable ideas

"WHAT is the meaning of life? Where is man going? What is love? Why death?" musings of President Chirac as he faces another bout of industrial unrest, but the weighty subjects tackled by French philosopher Luc Ferry in a new book which has catapulted him into the rar-efied role of France's intellec-

tual pin-up. Published just three weeks ago. M Ferry's philosophical treatise. Man-God or The Meaning of Life, has sold 50,000 copies and shot to the top of the French bestseller

Ferry's seductive smile and stylish appearance have featured in almost every glossy magazine in the country over recent weeks, and the 45-year-old thinker has now received the ultimate accolade: a photo-spread in Paris-Match. The magazine's selection of

photographs was telling since revealed exactly what rance expects from its philosopher-princes. Ferry was pictured with his young daughter, his speedboat (Le Ferry-Boat) in St Tropez, his

A FRISSON of panic is running through the polit-lcal salons of Paris over a court case. A politician is

being sued for failing to fulfil

his election promises. Ber-

nard Martin was elected to

the local council in the

eastern town of Bidonville in

1992, promising to build a

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ilde 300 jobs. Four years

'cello and the French Minister for Education, suggesting. in order, family values, jet-set chic, profundity and political

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theory that, with the decline of formal religion, man has become deified, replacing traditional values with a charitaof family love that is the modern form of spirituality in Western society.

"Montaigne, our great hu-manist, did not know how many of his children had died in infancy. Today what father would be ignorant of the number of children he had lost?" he points out as just one example of this new trend in human beliefs. Where man was once pre-

pared to die for God, country

out a sports arena and Jacques Boulanger, who just

happens to have lost to M

Martin, has filed a suit claiming that his rival never

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tion, now "the only things for which human beings are still ready to sacrifice themselves are other human beings, notably those to which they are linked by feelings. In short, a new dimension to spirituality has appeared," he says. The news from Ferry is by

no means entirely optimistic - living without God, he agrees, is a struggle — but in a France troubled by economic dislocation, unemployment and perceived cultural ero-sion, his emphasis on love has struck a chord.

Fifty thousand readers have already been converted to this 'philosophy of youth' which has become a fashion statement," one magazine observed, while Le Nouvel Observateur went further, proclaiming Ferry as "one of the most gifted philosophers of his generation, one of the few, the very few, to push thinking into new realms". In contrast to Britain, mod-

ern French philosophers, are held up not just as intellectual sages but as part of the very fabric of French life and culture. They are expected to translate their philosophy

The son of a Paris industrialist, Sorbonne-educated Ferry typilies the French concept of the philosopher as a combi-



Luc Ferry, whose musings on the meaning of life have shot to the top of France's bestseller list

cian and freelance intellectual: in addition to teaching history at the University of Caen, he is a journalist on Le Point magazine, an editor at Grasset publishers and, since 1993, president of the Nat-Curriculum Council. recently charged with reexamining the very philosophical basis of the French

For Ferry, his own sudden same and what he calls "the new interest in philosophy" are both reflections of the end of "the great political utopias. most notably communism". and the "death of God". Deprived of established creeds, people "have been left without explanations and certainties in the societies in which we live", he argues.

#### **Devotees** spread the gooey news

NUTELLA, the gooey hazel-nut and chocolate spread that is to France what Marmite is to Britain, celebrates its 30th birthday today with a weeklong Paris exhibition in honour of the sweet Gallic paste.

Actors, writers, sportsmen and models will assemble at the Carrousel du Louvre to describe and discuss quite how much they like the stuff and how it has changed their lives, amid Nutella sculptures, paintings, music and even a machine for spreading Nutella sandwiches.

Claude Chabrol, the French film-maker, and Sonia Rykiel, the fashion designer, are among those who will pay homage to the Nutclia culture that formed them. Nutella has been a staple of the French school lunch-box and the spread is so famous and obiquitous that an entire generation of thirty-somethings has been named La Génération Nutella

Many Britons also like Nutella, but I have never met a French person who did not scream when made to taste Marmite. Does this make Britain the home of a proud culinary tradition, or do we let "La Génération Marmite" simply from taste buds atterly skewed since infancy?

A recent poll found that 69 per cent of French people over 30 who like Nutrila are more enthusiastic about life than those who do not touch it. It is not known if they also have fewer teeth.

## Judge accuses Nato over Bosnia trials

IN AN outspoken attack on allied commanders, and on the Americans in particular. Richard Goldstone, the investigating judge of the Yugoslav war crimes tribunal in The Hague, poured scorn on suggestions that elections in Bosnia could go ahead while Radovan Karadzic and General Ratko Mladic were at large. He said the failure to follow through on the Dayton agreements and arrest those indicted for war crimes, including the Bosnian Serb leader and

his military commander. could be fatal for the credibility of the tribunal. He criticised the "very limited mandate" given to the Peace Implementation Force, which would arrest only those indicted persons they came across in the course of their duties. It was hardly surprising that "Intagine a serial rapist

only 50 had been detained. wanted for trial in England being informed that because he is a dangerous killer the police will not seek him out but will wait until they come across him in the ordinary course of their duties ... That is the policy now in operation in respect of persons wanted



Goldstone: incensed by lack of war crime arrests

by the international community for the worst crimes known to humanlond.

Delivering the David Da-vies Memorial Institute annual lecture in London, Judge Goldstone said the tribunal was given the power to issue arrest warrants. He asked how the victims of atrocities felt when first their hopes were lifted that warrants had finally been issued and then they read of a Nato spokesman "telling a reporter that arresting Karadzic is not worth the blood of one Ifor soldier". He

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continued, bitingly: "Imagine how they feel when they read of a senior British Nato officer allegedly telling the press that he is not talking directly to General Mladic because that would be in contravention of the Dayton agreement - and that he only talks to him through an interpreter."

In a final acid observation on the current Realpolitik driving allied policy, he said Dr Karadzic and General Mladic remained in effective control of the Bosnian Serb republic. "While they so re-main, the powers in the flivenation! Contact Group declare that conditions are such that a free and fair election can be held in Bosnia. Need I draw the conclusions for you?"

He hoped that the investigation of the atrocities at Srebrenica would compel leaders to adopt a more robust policy. ☐ Washington: The plane crash in Croatia in which Ron Brown, the US Commerce Secretary, and 34 others were killed two months ago, was caused by a string of errors (Tom Rhodes writes). They included possible pilot error, poor navigational equipment and flying in bad weather.

#### NEWS IN BRIEF 4,000 ill after cold

## soup in **Budapest**

Budapest: More than 4.000 people fell ill and 400 were treated at hospitals by last night after contracting food poisoning from catered lunches.

Dr Katalin Lun, the chief public health officer, said the mass food poisoning was due to salmonella bacteria. The cause was most likely cold fruit soup, Hungarians' summer favourite. The soup was delivered to schools, work places and old people's homes

by a food catering company. Victims complained of high fever, diarrhoea and vomiting. Many children were among those affected and were treated for dehydration. forcing kindergartens and grammar schools to close yesterday. (AP)

#### Arafat plea

Gaza City: Yassir Arafat, the Palestinian Authority President, said his people were on the brink of starvation and called for more aid. Donor countries have pledged £1.6 billion over five years. (AP)

## Saudi theory

Madrid: King Fahd of Saudi Arabia may shortly step down as monarch and retire to the Spanish resort of Marbella, sources close to the Government here said. The monarch, 75, had a stroke in November.

#### Pianist victim

New York: Manhattan police believe the victim of this week's Central Park sex attack is a talented planist, aged 32. She remained unconscious last night in hospital. Doctors fear she may not recover.

#### Cali jail deal

Bogotá: Gilberto Rodriguez Orejuela, the leader of Colom-bia's Cali cartel who admitted plotting to ship cocaine to America, will be jailed for a maximum of 15 years in a plea bargain. (Reuter)

#### Slovenia hopes

Ljubljana: Janez Drnovsek. Slovenia's Prime Minister, said his country would apply for full European Union membership on Monday, after signing an association accord with the bloc. (Reuter)

#### Refugee vigil

Geneva: United Nations aid workers maintained a vigil along the coast of West Africa for a Russian ship, the Zolotisa, crammed with an estimated 450 refugees from the Liberian civil war. (AP)

## Ankara asks Islamic party to lead nation

FROM AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE IN ANKARA

NECMETTIN ERBAKAN, has said it would strip Turthe head of Turkey's pro-Islamic Welfare Party, said yesterday he had been officially asked to form a new government by President Demirel. The request came on the

heels of Thursday's resignation of Mesut Yilmaz, the Prime Minister, after the break-up of a fractious coalition between his Motherland Parry and its erstwhile rival, the True Path, led by Tansu Ciller.

Mr Erbakan's party, which a secular republic in 1923.

key's constitution of its secular character if it comes to power. has 158 seats in parliament. making it the largest party in the 550-seat assembly. But it is short of a majority, and will need to form a coalition with another party in order to be able to govern.

If Welfare succeeds in cobbling together a coalition, it would mark the first Turkish Government led by Islamists since Kemal Ataturk installed

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OPINION

Is it time to rein in the drug culture depicted in such films as Trainspotting?



**THEATRE** 

At Chichester, Peter Ustinov seems uneasy in the role of a great composer in Beethoven's Tenth





BASE NOTE

The controversial photographs of the late Robert Mapplethorpe are lined up for London



**BASE NOTE** 

"Love, booze, race, religion and politics" are promised in a show of Randy Newman songs

ou may recall Frank Zappa's definition of rock journalism: "People who can't write interviewing people who can't talk for people who can't read". In which case you will be saddened to discover that this earticle is largely a discussion of the New Musical Express. But fear not My subject is not the prose style of its exuberant scribes. Nor is it rock music as such. It is an altogether darker matter: drug abuse within

the music industry. I do not say that every pop star is hooked on heroin. Doubtless the vast majority are purer than the driven slush, and exist on stimulants no stronger than PG Tips and Kendal Mint Cake. But that is not the image you receive from the pop-music press. Take the venera-ble NME. The magazine is not some underground rag; it has a long history, a mainstream publisher (IPC), and a big readership among under-25s. But what would shock any newcomer to its pages is how casual and commonplace are its allusions to drugs.

## Mugs and drugs and rock'n'roll Let's flick through this week's issue. The cover headline sets the

tone: "Dave Gahan Drugs Arrest page 3". This story tells in great detail how the singer "overdosed on a cocktail of heroin and cocaine injected intravenously", passed out, and was arrested

Page 13 introduces us to a teenage chanteuse apparently called Nut, who "after two years of cannabis and clubs ... decided to become an actress". On the next page is a profile of "America's coolest (and richest) revolutionaries" - a band called Rancid. "I drank the whole time; I did drugs," says its vocalist, Tim Armstrong.

There is some respite on page 16. when Tim Booth (of a band called James) reveals a comparatively harmless pastime: "I had this Tibetan shaman who covered me in yak's butter and set fire to me." But the respite is only temporary.

"Nowadays, this one-time vegat eats meat for energy, dabbles in drink and drugs, and enjoys the occasional shag frenzy," NME reassures us. So he's back on the rails, then.

On to page 19, which profiles Ocean Colour Scene. Bassist Damon Minchela . . . tries to convince us that he feels better than he can remember for years because he hasn't touched any drugs for eight days. This, rest assured, will change within 24 hours."

Page 22 carries a report of the Brighton Essential Music Festival, The writer reminds us that this is the first of the summer's big rock events. Which means? You can probably guess: "Over the next three months, approximately 28 lorryfuls of dangerous drugs will be imbibed." Page 25, meanwhile, chronicles the defining moment of one Mark Linkous, of the group



RICHARD MORRISON

Sparklehorse: "Former heroin addict and eccentric musical genius Mark had collapsed in a London hotel bathroom.

By page 29 we have reached the book reviews. A drug-free zone?

You must be kidding. The books include the history of a well-known group whose lead singer is depicted "taking loads of Ecstasy". And, of course, there is a generous appraisal of Irvine Welsh's latest book: Ecstasy — Three Tales of Chemical Romance.

And finally, on page 34, a former member of the Stone Roses is asked what he has been doing lately. "I've done a bit of mountain biking, smoked copious amounts of dope - just taking it easy, really," he replies.

f course, NME's journalists will argue that they are merely holding up a mirror to the pop world, not encouraging their young readers to join in the merry dance of death. That is true, though the morally neutral tone of the writing is disturbing in itself. They will also

stories are cautionary tales of disaster followed by reform. That is true, too - although what emerges is the impression that "doing drugs" is an essential, rite-of-passage thing for any cool teenager. And with Ecstasy appar-ently cheaper than ever before.

there is plenty of opportunity. Finally, they will argue that musicians were taking drugs long before NME's present writers were born, and that the only difference now is that today's stoned stars are much more overt about it. It is this very frankness, however, that is so depressing. Continual references to drugs in music magazines and cult films such as Trainspotting and Pulp Fiction may be reflections of society. But teenagers shape their lives according to what they see and read. The injunction that we

are supposed to give to children —
"just say no" — implies that they
already know drugs are bad, and that it is just a matter of resisting peer pressure. But the problem now is that a huge area of popular culture - dance clubs, music, novels, films, magazines - is founded on the premise that drugs are not bad at all, but a quick and pleasurable form of escapism.

I am no fan of the sporting authorities, whose standards of pusillanimity and greed are often appalling. But at least when a doped-up sportsman is caught out, he is branded a cheat, ostracised and ruined - not admired as some sort of rebel. If the music industry could develop a similar attitude to its drug addicts, the pro-drugs climate of popular culture would be transformed. Talented pop stars would not "burn out" so quickly. The shadowy Svengalis who pull their strings would feel better about themselves. The music might even sound better. But somebody must be brave enough to make the first move.

## Schoenberg in an echo chamber

PROFESSOR of Music at Manchester University and one of the most commissioned of British composers, John Casken scarcely needs a con-ducting job as well. But, as Composer in Association with the Northern Sinfonia, he has been doing more and more conducting. Next season — while working on a second opera among other things development of the Sinfonia's newly formed contemporary music ensemble. And he is interested in conducting more.

than his own music. Casken's most recent concert with the Northern Sinfonia, in the Lyons Concert Hall at York University, was dedicated, it seemed, to demonstrating the lasting vitality of Schoenberg's early Chamber Symphony. On 9. Certainly, there was no lack of witality in his interpretation of that above all for the energy enerated by the compression of symphonic material and into a one-movement form on a chamber scale - will probably prove more influential in

er serial works. John Adams's Chamber Symphony has just that kind of energy — it too is driven by compressed prolixity. The first movement, Mongrel Airs, is particularly successful in its perfic accretions of disparate material, from American car-

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Northern Sinfonia/ Casken

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toon tunes to a violin cadenza of grotesquely exaggerated virtuosity. It is a pity that, after the central Aria with Walking Bass, the final Roadrunner cannot reach the degree of exhilaration aimed at from the beginning of the

Adams's Chamber Sympho-

ny adds a few instruments, including percussion and synthesizer, to the Schoenberg Chamber Symphony ensem-ble Karen Markham's The Wheel has Turned takes a few away but the Schoenberg sound survives in the occasional vestigial echo. The work is based, according to the composer, on the thoughts of the Sufi mystic Bawa Muhaiyaddeen. To the ear, it is a perfectly comprehensible. attractively tuneful, resourcefully written and soundly structured score. The Northem Sinfonia's performance clearly did not solve all the problems of ensemble but, after their heroic and remarkably well-aimed exertions in the Adams Chamber Symphony, nobody could reproach them for that.

GERALD LARNER

# Master déclassé

eter Ustinov has al-ways been good at playing pouchy eccentrics with mid-European accents, and, since few men have been more eccentric, mid-European or pouchy than Beethoven. Ustinov could not be better cast than he is at Chichester. The question, however, is whether the play he wrote for himself in 1983 is worth reviving at all. On the evidence of Joe Harmston's ponderous production, I fear the answer is no. When decent actors get stilited, and even the author

does not seem 100 per cent

sure of his lines, something must be wrong. The idea is that Beethoven materialises and regains his hearing in the house of Steohen Fauldgate, a contemporary critic writing an arid, tendentious tome about him. This allows Ustinov to trundle lugubriously about the stage, his rancid clothes suggesting he has been booted out of a hotel in a downwardly mobile section of the Elysian Fields. This sort of thing comes to him. as easily as ocean travel to a whale; he does it well, and it is

fun to watch. The difficulty facing Ustinov the author is greater. What to do with the curmudgeonly time-traveller in the London of 1983 or 1996? There is, after all, limited mileage in jokes about the holes in the middle of CDs or the awfulness of a city where hamburger joints are not meeting-places for earnest north Germans. Ustinov has

THEATRE

Beethoven's Tenth Chichester

several solutions to this probiem, but none is satisfactory in itself and collectively they give his play an unfocused feel. Partly, the topic seems to be

the eagerness of critics to intellectualise an art which should be provoking unselfconscious joy. At any rate, Beethoven is required to complain to John Neville's Ste-phen, who thinks he knows more about him than he knows about himself, of scholars who over-analyse everything, down to "the urine in your chamberpot". The trou-ble is that this is more a matter of statement than dramatic conflict, for the wretched critic actually asks only one importunate question: who was the "immortal beloved" to whom the composer wrote those heartfelt letters?

This query brings onstage ghosts from Ludwig's past, among them the beauteous Countess Guilietta Guiccardi. who tells him: "I will always love you. I cannot help that, but life with you would kill me." It is an awkwardly managed episode and, given Ustinov's mistrust of biographical speculation, a surprising one; but at least it passes quickly. We revert to what is, I suppose, the evening's main emphasis: the grouchy but good-hearted maestro's healing effect on oik called Fauldgate.

Lamenting his own sad relationship with his nephew Karl, he becomes a one-man counselling service. He anatomises the critic's envy of his composer-son, gives the boy helpful if harsh creative advice, proves to Stephen's wife she hasn't lost her one-time talent as a singer, twigs that the au pair is pregnant, and gets her to set up shop with the putative father. "Before he came we were deafer than he was," says someone. "Now

we're listening." Would this conclusion be more impressive if Neville's Fauldgate and Liz Robertson's Mrs Fauldgate were less waxen and glazed? I doubt it. To transport so formidable a figure so far, and then use him as a not-too-interesting family's agony aunt, strikes me as waste of resources.

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"This sort of thing comes to him as easily as ocean travel to a whale; he does it well, and it is fun to watch": Peter Ustinov in the revival of his own Beethoven's Tenth

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THE South Bank is to mount what is billed as the most extensive Robert Mapplethorpe exhibition ever later this year. Mapplethorpe's photographs, whose sexually explicit images sparked controversy throughout his short career, are to be seen in London as part of a retrospective at the Hayward Gallery (September 19 to November 17). The show, which includes more than 200 works, ranges from his glamorous society portraits to his graphic portrayals of sado-masochism.

 LAST Monday's rapturously received Crowded House concert at London's Hanover Grand turns out to have been their last. The New Zealand band have announced their own extinction on the eve of releasing Recurring Dream, a "Best Of ..." retrospective. "1 think we were beginning to repeat ourselves." says frontman Neil Finn.

 THE work of Randy Newman is to be celebrated in a new show at London's Tricycle Theatre. Roll With The Punches will play from July 4 to August 8 and stars George Costigan as the American songwriter. "It's a tale of love, booze, race, religion and politics," says the director Chris

 WHAT is claimed to be the world's first museum of biography is one step closer to reality with the news that the Arts Council has awarded the British Institute of Biography £94,000 towards a feasi-bility study. The study will look into the possibilities of the £20 million scheme, called the Biorama Real Lives Centre project, to create the "world's first arts forum devoted entirely to the interpretation of real lives". If it does go ahead, the museum would be sited at Egham, near Windsor.

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ne of the most successful Broadway seasons in years ended with a quartet of first-class revivals that added depth to an already impressive line-up. Two musicals and a pair of classic American plays have been given productions that arguably

equal, if not surpass, their originals. A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, Stephen Sondheim's first work as both composer and lyricist, needs a great comic actor as the Roman slave Pseudolus. Director Jerry Zaks waited a year for Nathan Lane to be available, and the gamble paid off. Following in the steps of Zero Mostel and Phil Silvers, Lane, now a major film star thanks to The Birdcage, excels at double-takes and

improvisations Saks clearly believes that excess equals success, and he could have cut out some of the repetition (and put back the charming Pretty Little Picture) without disappointing anyone. He might also have curbed his

two American classics that put the cap on an excellent season to Westernising Siam. The Rodgers star a little, since Lane does not just

fish for laughs, he throws out nets.

Mark Linn-Baker, an equally dextrous clown, uses less effort in the role of Hysterium, Impersonating a virgin, he sings "I'm lovely" as he winsomely curls a finger in his blond wig. Ernie Sabella (the voice of Pumbaa to Lane's Timon in The Lion King) plays the oily procurer Lycus Though Christopher Renshaw's

new Australian production of The King and I is often funny too, he invests the old chestnut with the power of operatic tragedy. Lou Diamond Phillips, best known as Richie Valens in the film La Bamba, creates a king who is inquisitive, stubborn, and occasionally ruthless. As Donna Murphy's prim but not sexless Anna takes the measure of his bluster and steel, she nudges him along the path

and Hammerstein standards seem brand new and gleam as brightly as the ubiquitous gold on Brian Thom-

In an age of actors who sing secondarily, the voices are extraordinary, particularly Jose Llana as Lun Tha and Joohee Choi as Tuptim in We Kiss in a Shadow, Something Wonderful from Taekwon Kim as Mme Liang: and Murphy in Hello, Young Lovers. Renshaw's attention to detail means that each tyke in the March of the Siamese Children has an individual personality - and they

are cute, not cutesy. Serious drama revisits two classics about dysfunctional families. Edward Albee's A Delicate Balance focuses on civil strife in the cocktail set; Sam Shepard's Buried Child on dirt-poor derelicts.

Director Gerald Gutierrez has cast several parts in Albee's dark, suburban fable about 20 years older than called for. But with Rosemary Harris as Agnes, under siege from Elaine Stritch's alcoholic Claire — sister, irritant and former lover of Agnes's husband Tobias - who could complain? Stritch brings not only precisely calibrated comic timing, but also a remarkable physicality; she stretches

for a Martini with all her limbs. Harris underscores Agnes's care in choosing and inflecting her words, which suggest peacetime diplomacy. Suddenly, however, two friends arrive, beset by a nebulous fear and seeking permanent refuge in Tobias's grandly spacious home. George Grizzard's complacent Tobias is forced to take control, balancing his domestic obligations with social ones.

Grizzard's halting, anguished last-act

situation is masterly.

Sam Shepard has reportedly rewritten about 50 per cent of Buried Child for the Steppenwolf production directed by Gary Sinise, who shows more flair with the added comedy than with the sombre moments. Shelly, the young woman brought for a visit to her boyfriend Vince's family farm, now declares that she is a vegetarian. "Hitler was a vegetarian," growls Dodge, Vince's lice-infested grandfather.

Shepard's portrayal of the American family as physically, mentally and emotionally stunted carries a sharpened sense of infantilism, as the cantankerous Dodge screams for his bottle (whiskey, not formula), while his sour son Bradley (Leo Burmester), minus a leg, fights for his blanket. Incestuous Momma Halie (Lois Smith), in a red wig. slobbers over the preacher. Kelley Overbey, as Shelly, reacts to it with bewilderment that modulates into defiance, and gets out while she can.



Antic antics: Mary Ann Lamb and Nathan Lane in A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum

## The potluck of the Irish

POP: Today's Fleadh in London

will be a celebration of all

things Irish, or at least Irish-ish

here are two kinds of musician; the Irish and those who wish they were. That, at least, is the popular wisdom in the musical clubs and pubs of Dublin. Cork and Galway. Supporting evidence is offered in Finsbury Park, north London, today by of Irish music in Britain.

This year traditional Irish acts such as the Chieftans and Clannad and a newer generation of Irish singers including Mary Coughlan and the brilliant Sinéad Lohan all give way at the top of the bill to the Geordie-horn Sting. The Irishness of a range of other artists, including Jools Holland, Lloyd Cole and such transatlantic imports as John Prine and 10,000 Maniacs, is equally dubious. Yet it is not difficult to see why English rock musicians are so anxious to associate with the Irish at present. All things Gaelic have bever been more in vogue in hip London. In the 1970s white rock stars wanted to record with Jamaican musicians. By the 1980s the likes of Paul Simon and Peter Gabriel were looking towards Africa. Today it is the Emerald Isle. Mick Jagger, Mark Knopfler, Kare Bush (singing in Gaelic) and even Tom Jones have all recorded with Irish musicians.

Riverdance, a celebration of Irish steps and music, has become the most unexpected hit in recent showbiz history. Irish stours have become the designer drinks of the 1990s. In short, the rest of Britain has discovered the delights of the craic, that uniquely Irish approach to having a good time that encompasses music, joking, storytelling, drinking and frequently, at the end of the evening, falling down.

Cole says: There's a soul thing to the music. Quite simply, Irish people have it and we don't." Irish musicians have something in common spiritually with black musicians, he says. "Just listen to Van Morrison. Even when he's singing traditional frish music, he doesn't sound

Yet there are essentially two Irish scenes in London. One centres around trendy clubs and bars in Soho and Camden: the other is based, as it always has been, in the rundown pubs and drafty halls of Kilburn and the north London Irish hinterland. They are a world apart. Venues such as the Galtymore in Cricklewood Broadway and the National in Kilburn will pack in a thousand Irish folk at a weekend to see performers, usually dressed in spangly green or red blazers, singing sentimental songs about Mary and Kathleen back home. The more youthful and mostly English aficionados of Irish music scarcely know such places exist. The older, easylistening audience is suspicious of the new converts.

But the two scenes have one thing in common the black stuff. We are on record as selling the most Guinness in any one day at any event ever. says Vince Power, the driving force behind Mean Fiddler. the Fleadh organiser. Tomorrow is likely to top the 54,000 pints consumed at last year's event - one in 20 of all the pints of Guinness consumed in Britain on the day. We are all Irish now.

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ough well go through it with you. The Samaritans

Peter Stothard reports from southern Italy on how the regional rivalries of the new Europe draw on the study of classical antiquity

ampania IS Campania. Campania IS NOT Na-ples. So cries Antonio Rastrelli, ex-Fascist, ex-minister, aged 68 and living out his last political years as an elected regional boss in the Italian South. He does not need to shout and punch the air: he is talking to a few

supporters and a group of Euro-pean newspaper editors. But he cannot stop himself. He is angry. Like Simon Jenkins, Matthew Parris and many readers of The Times who have written to us since our debate on regionalism began last month, Signor Rastrelli senses growing opportunities throughout Europe for cultural and political independence. But he has a particular fear -- that Naples, his big city neighbour, will ride the tide more successfully than Salerno and other smaller, equally independent-minded towns. The problem of Campania IS Naples," he explodes,

with a final fist-flying flourish. Our editors' group had, as he well knew, just driven in from Naples. We had been judges of the

# The paradoxes of Zeno's countrymen

nalism prize. And we had just met Signor Rastrelli's great rival, Antonio Bassolino, the charismatic ex-Communist Mayor of Naples, who had vaunted his own plans to make his city more autonomous and its artistic heritage a source of massive future funds from Brussels.

Signor Bassolino is not an opponent whom a sensible man would choose to take on. He is a tough, intelligent street-trained politician who leads one of the world's most glorious and notorious cities. He seems perpetually watchful, with neither a Winston cigarette nor a witty word of self-deprecation ever far from his lips. Like his regional rival, his origins lie in an ideology that is now bankrupt. But while Signor Rastrelli seems to have little changed his style since the days of Mussolini (he calls himself the "father" of his Campania region), Signor Bassolino has buried his Communism as deeply as Khru-shchev said it would bury us.

Culture wars, however, are notoriously unpredictable; and Naples is not an easy city to sell. Although Signor Bassolino has won international acclaim for curbing citycentre traffic and crime, to all but the most learned visitors the artistic glories of his city will always be something of a muddle. Most tourists go home confused about the patchwork of painting schools in the past millennium. If they have used an official guide the confusion is likely to be greater still: there is a Bassolino dream to turn young proto-pickpockets into site-custodi ans and "communicators of culture" but it will not easily be

As for instilling local pride in the past, where should he start? In front of the royal palace there is a

row of statues of Neapolitan rulers. from Roger the Norman, through Germans, Spaniards and Frenchmen to Victor Emmanuel II of Savoy. None is a local hero. Signor Bassolino, even though his voyage from communism has not turned him as far as Christianity, seizes with enthusiasm upon the local liquefaction of St Gennaro's blood each year. "St Gennaro is the mayor of saints," he says, granting the holy man of Naples his ultimate accolade. "More like the saint of mayors." comments one of my fellow judges. The Campanian part of our tour

concentrates on an idea that is much more easily understood than most things Neapolitan. On the coast of Campania, inhabited by free-spirited Greek exiles 2,500 years ago, modern philosophy began: or, as Signor Rastrelli puts it in his inimitable way, "Magna

Graecia IS here." A few miles away from Salerno lies the Greek colony of Paestum. By the side of three giant preserved temples, our guide vigorously deploys a map from the days, in the 5th and 6th century BC. when southern Italy, from Syracuse to Cumae, was the intellectual centre of the West.

Naples was, of course, also a part of Magna Graecia then, but "only a small part". At nearby Velia. "a more important Campanian site". we are reminded of Parmenides and Zeno, the first logical philosophers, who were applying reason to man's existence here "when Milan was a mud village and Bologna a barley field".

This philosophical pair made a ferocious double act. Parmenides argued that there was one unchanging, knowable entity and that the world of appearances could not be trusted. Zeno constructed his

any opponent of this view must be wrong. When we hear Signor Rastrelli and his allies arguing how there is ONE Campania and Naples IS NOT Campania, it is hard to resist the thought that ontology runs in the blood here.

At Velia the acropolis is covered with wild flowers and the Rose Gate is one of the most mysterious arches of antiquity. But the site is not as accessible as the regional government of Campania would like. Signor Rastrelli's men want better roads to bring more tourists to their politically advantageous places. He declaims that his Campanians are "orphans of the old political system" and must use their past to connect themselves, independently of Naples and Rome, to the rest of Europe. Salerno University, whose medical studies are traced proudly back to Parmenides,

has found funding from Brussels for new courses in how to communicate the work of their local

History-book rivalries are nothing new in Italy. As long as the country has been united, its leaders have argued (and not always peacefully) about whether the fasces-wavers of ancient Rome were a better model than the Renaissance rivals of Florence. The South may have been excluded from much of modern Italian developments, but not from that. Today the biggest argument is about a new international airport which cannot be built unless Signori Rastrelli and Bassolino agree. But there are worries about what may come next as voters test their strengths.

Whatever the dangers, however, there is still something joyous in the determination of communities to uncover the places closest to them. Whatever the outcome of IGCs and EMUs, this will be a vital issue of our European future, determining prosperity in Salermo and Naples and far beyond.

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## Are judges now the Opposition?

Michael Beloff QC on the conflict

between judiciary and executive

This week's debate in the House of Lords on judicial participation in public controversy, instigated by Lord Irvine of Lairg, QC, the long-serving Shadow Lord Chancellor, can only reinforce the widely held helief that the relationship between two branches of the constitution, the executive and the judiciary, is at a

The need for such a debate would have been unthinkable even a decade ago. The major reason for the current tension is the degree to which a beleaguered Government considers that judges have over-stepped the boundary which lies between law and politics, and have become - in fact, if not in aim - a part of the Opposition.

The courts are constantly placing tripwires in the Government's path over such matters as railway franchises, the regulations to curtail benefits to asylum-seekers, and the fixing of a minimum period of detention for the young murderers of James Bulger. The taking up of office this week of Lord Woolf as Master of the Rolls will herald no period of judicial self-restraint: ex-Treasury counsel and gamekeeper, he has turned as judge into the most vigorous of poachers: nor does Lord Bingham of Cornhill. Lord Taylor of Gosforth's successor, sound anything other than an

What are the causes of the well documented growth of judicial review - the modern name for the control by the courts of the lawfulness, fairness and reasonableness of the decisions of public authorities? Some are technical: the modernisation of the procedures and remedies between 1977 and 1981, now under prospect of facing further reform in the light of the successive reports of the Law Commission in 1994 and Lord Woolf in 1995. Some are personal; overall the contemporary leaders of the judiciary are intellectually more adventurous and temperamentally more creative than their predecessors. A decade and a half of oneparty rule has prompted members of the public and, in particular, pressure groups to exploit the new opportunities offered by a developing administrative law. And, as Simon Jenkins has demonstrated in The Tory Nationalisation of Britain, the perpetual reforms of British institutions have enlarged

the target for legal remedies. But there are more profound influences at play. Prime among them is the impact of Europe. Although the capacity of the domestic judges to disapply even Acts of Parliament was genetically im-

planted in the European Communities Act 1972, it was not until the decisions more than two decades on in Factortame (the Spanish fishing case) and Marshall No 2 (the equal retiring ages case) that this capacity was given widely publicised expression. Judges such as Lord Woolf himself and Mr Justice Law have even hinted that n extreme cases, where fundamental liberties were at stake, the judges could overrule statute by reference to the common law - a position last held by Sir Edward Coke in the 17th century.

The European Convention on

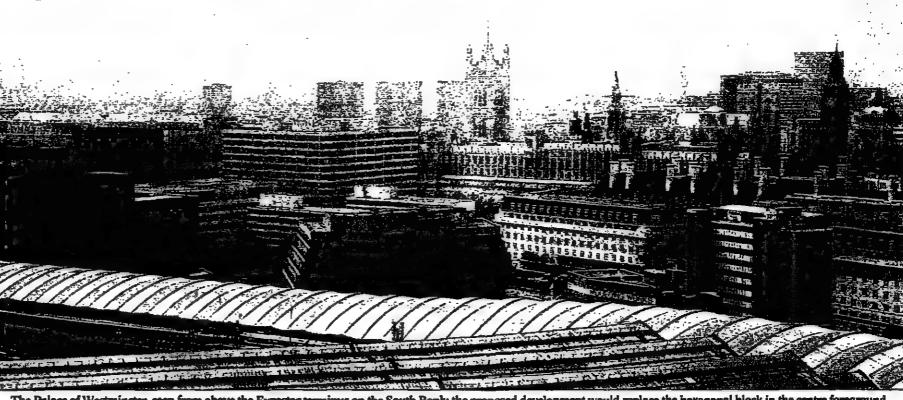
Human Rights, although not part of English law, has certainly influenced the thinking of the judiciary. and has been deployed in a variety of ways to adorn their decisions. The principles of administrative law have grown to the extent that decisions of less than a decade's vintage can be treated not as binding precedent, but as obsolete.

As so often, it is the perception, rather than the reality which has aggravated the situation. The Goverrument wins far more cases than it loses; but its defeats command the headlines, its victories are confined to the law reports. In an effort to correct the picture the Master of the Rolls in the recent case of er p. Pierson felt obliged to say that "the case involved no challenge to the was named in the application because he was responsible for the department within which the decisions were made".

nyone who recalls the vigour with which the Denning Court laid about the alleged maladministration of the Labour Government will know that the judges are impartial between the parties. However, the subjects that now engage the courts, schools, transport and the environment, are the very stuff of politics. The judges may not be political; they cannot escape the fact that their decisions have profound political impact.

in 1956, Lord Devlin, a candidate for judge of the century, said that the common law lacked the "strength to provide any satisfactory solution to the problem of keeping the executive under proper control; the responsibility for that now lies with Parliament".

The exact reverse has occurred. The constant skirmishes at the boundary between the titarts of law and of politics may disenchant the public at large and diminish their confidence in both. Judicial control of the executive vindicates the rule of law: executive control of the judiciary destroys it.



The Palace of Westminster, seen from above the Eurostar terminus on the South Bank; the proposed development would replace the hexagonal block in the centre foreground

# No room for London's view

ear God, the very houses seem asleep; and all that mighty heart is lying still." I hate to hack at Wordsworth, but for once we have a serious attack of sleeping houses, and by Westminster Bridge itself.

The houses are those of Parliadoubt il a single MP of t aware. It concerns a site just 200 yards from Big Ben in the heart of the capital. Were that 200 yards on the north bank of the Thames there would be uproar. Instead it is over Westminster Bridge on the opposite bank. As far as the denizens of Westminster are concerned, that is the Wild South. There live dragons, socialists and the ghosts of County Hall. The district could sink back into the river swamp for all they care. Yet it is the one bit of south London that politicians see every working day of their lives. It is a landmark site. It should be

London's Arc de Triomphe. The local Lambeth Council recently cut a deal with a firm of developers variously named Frogmore Estates or Galliard Homes to fill in the gardens behind old County Hall with two huge resiblocks. This easing of dential normal housing density was in return for a modest El million "consideration" to the council (on a profit that could be as high as £40 million). The same group has now put together a deal with the council to construct two large office blocks, on the roundabout on the south side of Westminster Bridge. They would block in the view across the bridge south from Parliament.

A plan is afoot to blight the approach to Westminster, yet neither Government nor Parliament seems to care

The site is at present occupied by an ugly and empty tiered hexago-nal block, riddled with asbestos. When last discussed at a public demolished and replaced by a public square. The square would balance Parliament Square to the north and be framed by the Eurostar train terminal at one end and the view of Big Ben at the other. The replacement of the mean St Thomas hospital extension offered the chance of a foil to Big Ben. This and the renovation of the County Hall entrance with its famous lion would project the bridge approach as a triumphal entry to the heart of the capital.

This square was to be a showcase for British urban design on one of the few sites still available in the city centre and near the Thames. Passengers arriving at Waterloo's Channel Tunnel terminus would be able to see out across the square to the river and the towers of Westminster beyond, at the moment of drawing into Waterloo station. At last here was an opportunity for some urban design

as good as anything in Paris.
Yet how typically British. We propose instead two commercial office blocks by an unknown firm called BUJ Architects. They will fill the site of the original square and obliterate any hope of a view. The

blocks have recently been reduced by two storeys under pressure from English Heritage, but retain their original bulk. The new County Hall area is to be an unplanned mass of densely packed commercial buildings, wor-

thy only of a Moscow ringway. Is this really what John Gummer means by his commitment to being a self-styled "Minister for London"? I am told that Lambeth Council has been offered an undisclosed "consideration", a matter to which the Audit Commission might turn its attention. Payments of this sort are in my book nothing short of legalised bribery. I would be happy to test the definition of that term in

Lambeth council is behaving as the worst Tory council behaved when in thrall to property interests. That it should be happening under the nose of Parliament, within sight of Tony Blair's office and on the way to the party's headquarters in Walworth Road is astonishing. But at this point politics raises its head.

To Lambeth councillors, the northern boundary is lost land, bereft of Labour voters and good only for squeezing small cash from bad The agreement to fill in the

County Hall gardens with expensive flats is astonishing from a party supposedly committed to urban greenery. County Hall itself is destined to open next year as a Japanese aquarium, courtesy of the Government. One of the most promising Thamesside sites is "now eas'd out ... like to a tenement or pelting farm", to borrow from Shakespeare, another poet whose chost inhabits these parts.

f Lambeth wants to abuse the South Bank as a showcase of Tory greed, I sense that the Government is happy to exploit it for a similar but converse reason. Ministers are acutely embarrassed by County Hall, still derelict ten years after its seizure by Kenneth Baker. Environment Secretary in Margaret Thatcher's Government. It was left empty as public symbol of all that was worst in the old Greater London Council. This was a pastiche of the communist habit of seizing aristocratic castles and leaving them to rot'as monuments to the ancien régime.

The Government did not intervene to stop building on County Hall gardens, though it had powers to do so. I suppose it will be in no

mood to intervene to protect the sight-lines to Big Ben. Lambeth can be accused of wrecking the place and that will suit ministers fine. There is, of course, no London authority body to blow the whistly on this scandal. The last London wide authority is in concrete shoes

at the bottom of a new aquarium. This way most of the interested end up rich. The only interested party not involved is the public interest. I venture to suggest the public would like a square. Central government meddles at will in local affairs when it suits, but pleads local discretion when it can scratch political capital from the resulting mess. Like the horrors of Marsham Street or the scandal of the British Library, there is no buck that is passed with the swiftness of a British Government buck.

London's Westminster Bridge is not a local matter. It is an international landmark. The bridge itself, though sadly not Wordsworth's, still offers an unequalled view of London. Squalid politics should not dictate the changes to this view. In Berlin and Paris the handling of the approach to Westminster Bridge would be a challenge to the design excellence of the age. Politics comes and goes, but monuments live for ever.

Wordsworth was in no doubt. "Dull might he be of soul who could pass by, a sight so touching in its maiesty." But dull would he also be who could not stop this disaster on its way to happen. Indeed the very houses are asleep. The mighty heart is lying still. No one is in

## On the ball

LABOUR politicians are tripping over themselves to be seen partici-pating in the European football championship. Both in the VIP box and down in the stands it will be hard to shovel down a meat pie without being interrupted by the strangulated chants of a Shadow Cabinet member. In contrast, the Tories are staying away.

Attending for Labour will be their leader. Tony Blair, who is expected at both the opening game



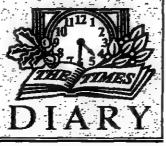
Tony Blair: a step ahead

today and at games at St James' Park, the home of his team, Newcastle United. David Blunkett, the Shadow Health spokesman, will be going to as many games as possible at Hillsborough, in his home town of Sheffield.

Jack Cunningham, the Shadow Heritage Secretary, promises to go to a few games, while in the office of Gordon Brown, the Shadow Chancellor, you can almost hear the rattles and the clink of furious scarf knitting. "Gordon will be going to as many games as he can, "says his staff. "England v Scotland, of course, the final and any others we

can get tickets for."
Though they had Michael Howard. Kenneth Clarke and Virginia Bottomley all jostling in the VIP box at the FA Cup Final, Tories are airy about attending Euro 96. Those definitely off games include most of the heavyweights -Heseltine, Rifkind, Portillo, Hogg, Dorrell, Shephard, Only the Prime Minister, Kenneth Clarke and Virginia Bottomley have even the vaguest plans to attend. A lesson in popular politics is in order.

• Cockroach trouble has hit Trinity College, Cambridge, the univer-



sity's, and one of the country's, richest institutions. Last week the college was forced to bring in the pest controllers after a series of student-roach tussles in the 18thcentury New Court buildings. The pest men are pessimistic. "These cockroaches are crafty," says a spokesman. "Trinity has a war of attrition on its hands."

#### Right off

MEL GIBSON, Australia's Olivier, has stamped on claims by Pat Buchanan, the failed Republican presidential candidate, that he is a Buchanan supporter. Buchanan had expressed his keen admiration for the "lock and load" populism of Gibson's Oscar-winning film, Braveheart, and its expression of "traditional values". Hanging, drawing and quartering features

prominently in the film. When Buchanan's team went one stage further and claimed that Gibson, who is sympathetic to Buchanan's pro-life stance on abortion, had endorsed their candidate, Gibson's team were swift to respond. "He hasn't endorsed anyone," they said, "and he was quite upset to find out that Buchanan's campaign is saying he has."

■ TAKING his unique brand of diplomacy to Madrid on Thursday was Douglas Hogg, our unfairly maligned Agriculture Minister. In a press conference at the British Embassy, he put in another of his terrifically strong, silent perfor-mances. For half an hour, he scowled and frowned while Mal-colm Rifkind. the Foreign Secretary, dealt with an extremely aggressive pack of Spanish journalists. Only at the very end did Hogg spring to life when asked a direct question. Instantly, he was off on a lengthy discourse on mammalian proteins. When he did finish, the asker of the question looked wor-sted and headed for the door mu!tering about needing a treble Fundador brandy.

## Horse play

MORE temperamental horse prob-lems are afflicting the Royal Opera

House in Covent Garden. Viewers of the BBC series, The House, earlier this year will remember a scene in which two shire horses crashed through the stage during Janacek's Kara Kabanova.

Now the star horse of the Opera House's production of Verdi's Don Carlos, which opens on Tuesday, has been fired. The white mare was due to sweep off stage the heroine Elisabeth, played by Karita Mattila, at the end of Act One. Sadly, she failed to adapt to the powerful stage lights and grew surly."She wouldn't do what she was told," says their spokesman, Keith Cooper. The horse which took the role



in the original production in Paris will return as a replacement.

#### Read my lips

BAD omens for the next four years of John Birt's reign at the BBC as his announcement to staff yesterday of his extended tenure was plagued by rechnical glitches. Do-ing his best Big Brother. Birt appeared on the closed circuit televisions around the BBC HQ giving a pre-recorded interview to a sweaty-looking Robin Reynolds, editor of the in-house rag. Ariel. Birt needed some Paxmanesque discipline, as he ummed and aahed his way through the interview. Worse was to follow.

As Birt expounded on his theories of programme quality, his words began to fall out of synch with his lip movements. The interview ended up looking like a poorly dubbed German management video.

#### High noon

HOLSTERS lie forlornly on the green room floors at Sadler's Wells where the Wild West musical Calamity Jane is in deep trouble. On Wednesday night the show's stars, Gemma Craven and Stephen McGann, failed to leap whooping on stage as usual and their under-



Gemma Craven: calamity

studies had to step in. It was the same story on Thursday night. The actors were apparently locked in a disagreement over money, or rath-

er the lack of it.

Craven's people were nor in a yee-hah sort of mood yesterday, but lan Albery, chief executive of Sadler's Wells, said: "They had some difficulties out on the road when one of the theatres they were playing went into liquidation. It's all very finely balanced. It's very difficult." He hopes to have his stars back soon.

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## CAMBODIA'S MASS KILLER

Some human monsters are best taken alive

Pol Pot, "brother number one" of the murderous Khrner Rouge which set out in 1975 to return Cambodia to "year zero", has been reported dead several times before, generally at times convenient to himself and his evil cause. The death of this jungle monster will be believed only when his body is prodired and incontrovertibly identified. If he has feigned death, it will be to buy more time as a fugitive from justice. He has no need of political power to inspire terror in the people he persecuted with such deliberate cruelty. He is the kind who may even live on after secret burial as the man who could yet return.

The timing of this latest report of his death coincides, probably not by coincidence, with the final stages of a detailed investigation by the international Cambodian Genocide Programme, jointly funded by the US and Camhodian Governments. The mill of international justice has ground with offensive sloth in pursuit of what has long been recognised as genocide in the sense of the 1948 UN Convention. But its wheels are finally turning.

Since the team began work early last year, that located thousands of mass graves, interviewed witnesses who are only now finding the courage to tell their stories and discovered that the Khmer Rouge was almost as meticulous as the Nazis in keeping detailed records of massacres, often matched by photographs. It now believes that the secretive Organisation on High led by Pol Pot starved to death or butchered by the most brutal methods at least two million Cambodians, double previous Western estimates. International arrest warrants are due to be issued next year for trials before a special legal tribunal.

That it should have taken so long is one of the grimmest, as well as one of the most politically contorted, chapters of the Cold War. It is 17 years since Vietnamese forces drove the Pol Pot regime out of Phnom Penh. in a liberation which the West insisted on calling an invasion. It is almost as long since the Vietnamese-backed Government pub-

lished a detailed indictment, coupled with photographs of mass graves and piles of skulls, to support its claim of three million dead. The children of Britain understood what that meant. The Blue Peter programme put out an appeal for £100,000 for the children who had survived, and raised around £3 million in a matter of weeks. Their elders in the House of Commons deplored the Pol Pot's "barbarism" - but within a year, the British Government joined the vote at the United Nations that recognised a coalition, of which the Khmer Rouge was part, as the legal representative of "Democratic Kampuchea". For years, the West denied even humanitarian aid to the survivors. The final peace settlement held the door open to the Khmer Rouge which duly kicked the door in.

The remnant of its once-strong guerrilla force is still capable of keeping alive a doctrine of terror which emptied Cambodia's cities, all but wiped out its intellectuals and turned its fields into a vast concentration camp. The intellectual au-thors of this sustained atrocity, including Pol Pot's close associates leng Sary and the "onelegged butcher" Ta Mok, are still at large on the Cambodian-Thai border.

King Norodom Sihanouk has insisted that it is "absolutely necessary" that these men be tried and convicted before they die. The King's personal history, as both victim and one-time political partner of the Khmer Rouge, tells him why this is so important. No one who has encountered Pol Pot has failed to be struck by his soft smile, mild manner and the awed respect this "teacher" of a monstrous ideology arouses in his followers. He appears, says the King, as "a very gentle person, a lamb". Such men are dangerous even, perhaps especially, in hiding. From the grave, Pol Pot's smile will haunt Cambodia still. In court, his mystique might at last be dispelled - because then there could be no second coming. There are monsters who are best taken alive.

#### **QUALITY AND EQUALITY**

Pupils must be allowed to progress at their own pace

Labour has been making the running in education in recent weeks. Gillian Shephard has been under fire from the Right and Labour has used the opportunity to make an audacious raid on ground once firmly Conservative. First David Blunkett, the Shadow Education Secretary, backed a return to traditional teaching methods in pary schools. Now Tony Blair has called for an end to mixed ability teaching in speech yesterday, "must not become the

enemy of quality." For far too long, it has. Trying to teach the same subject to a whole class of academically quite disparate pupils is as crazy as pitting dachshunds against labradors and greyhounds on a racetrack. In some ways it is worse, for the cleverest children do not even win. They might gain the best examination results, but the chances are that they will not have achieved their full potential. They are likely to be bored and impatient at school, while the least academic will struggle to keep up.

There are some respectable social and economic arguments for comprehensives. But the educational arguments for some form of grading by ability are more compelling. Given that attachment to the comprehensive ideal is still so strong in Labour ranks, Mr Blair must tread warily. His speech yesterday was an attempt to smuggle selection into a system he could present to his party as still recognisably

comprehensive. Mr. Blair believes that selection within a school allowing pupils to find their own level in different subjects, will provide the flexibility that the old division between grammar schools and secondary moderns could not. Indeed, he wants to differentiate even within sets so that each child moves at the appropriate pace. "We can begin to talk about class sizes of one," he claims; "each

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child with their own learning programme.' As an ideal, this is exemplary: all too many talented children are held back at school by the need for whole classes to move at the same speed. But can it be achieved?

Initially it needs a transformation in teachers' expectations. Some teachers delight in spotting talent where it might be least expected to flourish. Others are too easily tempted to write off the chances of ly deprived children and to feel hostile to intelligent, middle-class pupils. With such attitudes, neither will be pushed to reach their full potential.

That is why there are attractions in allowing schools to select pupils before entry, as the Conservatives want. It would make it easier to bring together manageable classes of similar ability. The Government does not propose a return to the system that prevailed before the abolition of the 11-plus. Instead it wants to encourage diversity. Selection by school is a practice accepted by European social democrats but difficult for Mr Blair to sell to a party still so committed to the comprehensive dream.

Instead of educating his party out of that Sixties folly, Mr Blair has wisely joined battle with Conservatives who have been attacking another of that decade's mistakes - the progressive orthodoxy that prevails in teacher training colleges. Much has to be done to change teachers' view of themselves from social engineers to professional pedagogues. Better standards will be achieved not through dogma but through disseminating best practice. Just as doctors keep their skills up to date with the latest advances in medicine, so teachers should be prepared (and trained) to use the educational methods that have been shown to work best. But this requires one big change: all teachers will first have to start seeing themselves and conducting themselves not as trade unionists or ideologues, but as professionals.

## THE HUSBAND'S FLUTTER

Alex Greaves becomes the first woman in the Derby

History is made today at Epsom. The world's greatest flat race will be graced by a woman jockey. Alex Greaves, for the first time in its 217-year history. Although her mount, Portugese Lil, is a 500-1 shot, no Pegasus let aione a Shergar, that does not alter the significance of the event.

As she reveals in our pages today, Britain's premier female professional came to the saddle only after her course on instilutional management ended with no job. This might remind some of the Monty Python sketch about the accountant who wanted to become a lion-tamer but it has worked well for her. Even if her record of 170 wins in a seven-year career is unlikely to be extended at Epsom, we wish her the best of British.

ther efforts have not been greeted with complete enthusiasm within the racing fraternity. This is a very male and pretty traditional bunch, not a group at the cutting edge of gender equality. There has been finalizious moaning that her marriage to a trainer, David Nicholls, explains much about her progress. There have been comparisons, not always flattering, between Ms Greaves and Emily Davidson, the suffragette who threw herself in front of the King's horse in the race of 1913. It has been

argued that women lack the physical strength to compete in flat races, especially when jockeys flog the horse with whip over the last 200 yards. This cynicism was neatly summarised yesterday by a leading former jockey, Geoff Lewis, who described her prospects today as "just a bit of a laugh". Such comments strike us as unfounded as

well as ungracious. Women have successfully joined the National Hunt circuit both as riders and trainers despite physical demands that, while different, are comparable to those of the Derby. There are new regulations limiting the use, many would suggest abuse, of the whip. These render much muscle-bound argument moot. In all probability, given their great prowess in other affairs equestrian, Alex Greaves will

prove to be a trail-blazer, not a curiosity. Change can be both good and bad. The switch of the Derby to a Saturday was a departure from tradition that has apparently left the Queen and many other racing enthusiasts somewhat unenthused. The arrival of a woman in the contest is one innovation that can be wholeheartedly welcomed. Just as Lester Piggott was described as the housewife's fancy, Alex Greaves should be the husband's flutter.

Judgment on the

From Lord Tebbit. CH

Sir, It is a shame to see so many distinguished lawyers misdirecting and muddling themselves about the European Court of Justice and the European Union (letter, June 5).

**European Court** 

That we need a court to adjudicate on disputes, involving the laws governing the Single Market, and that it should have powers to award compensation to those disadvantaged by government, corporation or individuals who break those laws, is obvious and non-contentious.

Sadly that is not all with which the ECJ concerns itself. The treatment of pregnant servicewomen, or the rights of suspected terrorists to free movement within the United Kingdom, are nothing to do with the Single Market. The ECJ exercises jurisdiction in such matters because the European Union is a quasi-state with its own citizens and the ECJ is a quasi-Supreme Court.

The extent to which this Kingdom has been reduced to the status of a satrapy is underlined by your correspondents' reference to the ECJ as "the only institution with the power to protect individuals". So much for Parlia-

According to your correspondents that body, the only national body democratically responsible to the people of this Kingdom, has no power to protect those whom it represents. And so much for a thousand years of history; the power to protect the sub-jects of the Queen is to be entrusted to an unelected group of mostly foreign lawyers.

Your correspondents' letter is regrettable for its implicit claim that judges, not parliaments, are sovereign. It is all the more regrettable that in the context of our membership of the European Union they are probably correct.

Yours faithfully, TEBBIT. House of Lords.

From Mr Bernard Jenkin, MP for Colchester North (Conservative) and others

Sir. Lord Mackenzie-Stuart et al claim that the Home Secretary cannot both recognise the need for a European Court of Justice (ECJ) and criticise its judgments.

The EU needs a court to resolve dis-

outes between the contracting parties of the treaties, but it is not necessary to have what the court itself invented: "a new legal order ... the subjects of which comprise not only the Member States but also their nationals" (Van ment. 1963). In 1992 it confirmed that its role is to interpret the law "in ever wider fields" in such a way as best "to make concrete progress towards European unity".

This is what leads academic commentators to state that "the Court has consciously acted not only as the 'Constitutional Court of the Community but also as an architect of European integration" - D. Lasok and J. W. Bridge, Law and Institutions of the European Union (Butterworths, 1994). This is what makes the ECJ po-

litical in character. As Lasok and Bridge also point out, the ECJ's doctrine of direct applicability and direct effect of community law unmistakably points to a federal character (of Community law), because in a federal system federal law bears directly upon the citizens of the component states". It is hardly therefore surprising that a UK Government expressly opposed to the devel-opment of a "federal" Europe has found the interference of the ECJ in-

creasingly exasperating. The North American Free Trade Agreement and, indeed, the Gatt agreements are rules-based free markets: but they do not create private rights and obligations between individuals and institutions with a penetrative legal order that claims supremacy over member states' domestic law. We need a court to direct the French to open Orly Airport to more airlines or to fine Italy for defrauding milk quotas: but it is not necessary to impose the working time directive, to force the UK Government to pay compensation to Spanish fishing-boat owners, or to make large awards to pregnant exservicewomen in order to avoid "the break-up of the single market" and the halkanisation of Western Eurone". This is hysterical language in defence of the indefensible.

Yours etc. BERNARD JENKIN. JONATHAN AITKEN, IAIN DUNCAN SMITH NIGEL EVANS. DAVID FABER. DAVID HOWELL IVAN LAWRENCE, JOHN WHITTINGDALE, House of Commons.

Critical appraisal

From Dr Tom Carnwath

Sir. I read in today's obituary of Richard Robinson that his literary style was modelled on that of Aristotle, but had some resemblance also to that of Lord Attiee".

Is this irony or genuine apprecia-

Yours sincerely TOM CARNWATH. Grafton House, Marlborough Road. Bowdon, Altrincham, Cheshire.

## Positive ways to live with deafness

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I Pennington Street, London El 9XN Telephone 0171-782 5000

From the Honorary Treasurer of the Royal Association in Aid of Deaf People

Sir, One of the deaf people whom you quote in your account of Lord Ashley of Stoke's campaign to give small children hearing implants (reports and leading article, June 5) states that "Medically there is nothing wrong with deaf people. The only difference is that we have no hearing and use gn language."

This statement may be partly true, but it ignores two fundamental prob-lems of deafness. In a predominantly hearing world, the communication gap must be bridged by skilled in-terpreting services. Sign-language specialists are required to help to deal with many of the vexatious transac-tions to which we are all subjected, with dentists, solicitors, local authorities and so on.

Beyond that, there are some special problems for which advice and help are needed from experts who fully understand the frustrations and barriers of deafness, as well as the laudable independence of the deaf culture. Among these are isolation, unhappiess, even consequent mental illness. In particular, the difficulties of family relationships and communication with deaf or hearing children must be

Yours faithfully JOHN LAZARUS, Honorary Treasurer, The Royal Association in Aid of Deaf People. 27 Old Oak Road, W3.

From the Chief Executive of the National Deaf Children's Society

Sir, Cochlear implants are only one technique for developing awareness of sound in some deaf children and aduits. They are not suitable for all deaf children, nor do they restore hearing as it is understood by hearing people.

Recent research published by the MRC Institute of Hearing Research clearly indicates that they merely allow children who were either born deaf, or who lost their hearing before acquiring spoken language, to de-velop auditory and speech-perceptual

The statement in your leading article that 'many parents of deaf children are refusing these implants" fails to address the complexity of the deci-sion-making process behind such act-ion. Many hearing parents may ultimately reject the procedure only after lengthy assessments as to their child's suitability and much consideration of the potential for improving their quality of life. Deaf parents of deaf children often reject implants for very different ethical and moral reasons.

V&A extension

a final proposal.

Yours faithfully.

OWEN LUDER.

66 Portland Place, WI.

From Mr Martin Pawley

From the President of the Royal

Sir, Mr Charles Morris states (letter,

June 4; see also letters. May 24) that Daniel Liberskind's plans for an ex-

tension to the V&A building represent

disorder which "is never comfortable

to live with". He is quick to dismiss a

design which is only a concept at this

stage and has yet to be developed into

The more detailed conceptual plans

that have not been widely published

show it has the potential to become an

exciting addition to London's existing

the design time to develop and then

Order often appears out of what

might seem to some initially to be

Royal Institute of British Architects,

come to an objective judgment.

Institute of British Architects

arouse most concern is not the tiresome 1900-style debate about its radical aesthetics. Far more useful would be a 2000-style debate about its embodied energy cost, its thermal performance, its emission controls and its many other responses to the crucial

environmental issues of our time. Perhaps the visionary Mr Libeskind will get round to dealing with these in due course.

Yours faithfully, MARTIN PAWLEY, The Old Rectory. Somerton, Oxfordshire.

varied architecture. We should give From Mr Sergei Kadleigh

> Sir, Lord Armstrong, chairman of the V&A Board of Trustees, states (article, June 4) that "The choice of architect for the new building was made unanimously by the trustees, on a unanimous recommendation by a committee." This brings to mind a wellknown adage which goes something like this: "A camel is a horse designed by a committee."

Sir. In his article, "To reject the Vir-

gin's unique status is to deny her Son's divinity" (Credo, June 1), Professor

John Haldane implies, wrongly in my

view, that Christ obtains His deity by

declarations of the Council of Ephesus

were co-ordinated with Scripture,

which is not the case, Christ's divinity

comes from His unity with God, as we read in the Gospel of John: "In the be-

ginning was the Word, and the Word

was with God and the Word was

God." God is from everlasting to ever-

Christ's divinity comes from the fact

that He is God. God chose to become

incarnate and chose Mary to express

His humanity. But Mary has added

nothing to the deity of God or Christ.

If she is unique it is by virtue of the de-

lasting; Mary is not.

ity of her son.

Yours faithfully,

85 Brixey Road.

Poole, Dorset.

June 5.

E. SHEHADEH (President,

Gospel: Group of Scriptural,

Protestant Evangelical Labourers),

Letters should carry a daytime

telephone number. They may be

faxed to 0171-782-5046.

Even if we are to concede that the

association with His mother.

Yours faithfully, SERGEI KADLEIGH. Flat B, 12 Miles Road, Clifton, Bristol, Avon.

#### Nato expansion Christ's divinity

From Captain P. R. D. Kimm, RN . From Dr Emil Shehadeh (retd)

Sir, It seems to me that the aspect of

the Libeskind project that ought to

Sir, The Director of the Atlantic Council writes (letter, June 4) that the counuil "does not believe that Nato's expansion [eastwards] threatens Russia."

What is perhaps more important to the peace and stability of Europe is whether Russia believes that it threat-

Yours faithfully. PETER KIMM. 69 New Brighton Road, Emsworth, Hampshire. June 4.

Thin models

From the Editor of Vogue

Sir, Following your leading article (June I) condemning Vogue's use of thin models, I was amused to see three pictures of Trish Goff (one of the models in question) on your fashion page (June 5). I think they prove that she isn't so bad after all!

Yours faithfully, ALEXANDRA SHULMAN, Editor, Vogue,

Vogue House, Hanover Square, Wl.

Weekend Money letters, page 37

From Mr Tom Roberts profoundly deaf cannot be compared to those for an adult who has acquired Sir. Sadly I can assure General Sir language skills and loses their hearlan Gourlay (letter, June 4) that his headache of looking for aspirins in his ing in later life, as experienced by Lord Ashley of Stoke. Cochlear im-

Looking for logic

in supermarkets

local supermarket is not unique.

Under the guise of accommodating

new lines, supermarkets seem to be

operating a policy of providing mini-

mum information while regularly

changing the location of goods. The

purpose of this policy appears to be to

keep customers circulating the stores for the longest possible time, during

which they pick up items in passing

which were not on their original shop-

ping list. Why toy with frequent-shopper dis-

counts and credit cards when super-

markets could win the hearts of their

customers by providing some sort of computerised location finder, as Sir

Ian recommends? A simple card at-

tached to each trolley would suffice.

Sir, I was astonished to read General

Gourlay's letter calling for a "key-in

computer display ... giving instant

guidance as to the current location of the goods on offer" in supermarkets. I can think of nothing more certain to

cause chaos, confusion and delay.

Holly Tree Lane, Cuddington,

Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire.

Sir, I have great sympathy with

After my local store completely

threw me by moving orange juice

from the drinks section where it had

been for many moons to "breakfast

cereals", I decided that a more scienti-

fic approach was necessary.
I therefore entered our weekly shop-

ping list into the word-processor, put-

ting all items in their correct order as

displayed in the store, beginning with fruit and veg" and ending with wines and spirits". This not only con-

siderably speeds up the job but also

When, as frequently happens, the manager changes things around I

have only to adjust the running order

on the computer and print out a revis-

ensures that nothing is missed.

ed edition for the next visit.

Yours sincerely,

June 4.

TOM ROBERTS,

From Mr L. H. Jole

Yours faithfully, LESLIE HUGH JOLE,

From Mr Tony Cornwell

General Sir Ian Gourlay.

Vulcan House,

37 Brodrick Road, SW17.

Figures released by the Nottingham Paediatric Cochlear Implant Pro-gramme (August 1993) show that the ability of implanted young children to discriminate some speech and environmental sounds varies enormously between individuals and over varying periods of time from the initial tuning.

plants do not offer instant access to

speech and sound for all implanted

deaf children.

The benefits to a child who is born

Yours faithfully, SUSAN DANIELS, Chief Executive, The National Deaf Children's Society, 15 Dufferin Street, ECI.

From Mr John Wheeler

Sir, I write as a deaf person inspired to apply for a cochlear implant by Lord Ashley's account on television two years ago of the advantages he gained from having one. Whether I will be assessed as able to benefit from an implant after sixty years of deafness still remains to be determined.

A point I never fail to make when talking about my deafness is that I had the prime good fortune of nine formative years of hearing. If I ever feel proud, as some deaf people do about their deafness, it is in the fact that, in spite of mine, I believe I face life with the hearing and the spite of the sp life with a hearing person's attitude.

Like Lord Ashley, I view deafness as a handicap to be overcome to the best of my ability in a hearing world, never as a disability to be satisfied with and

Yours faithfully, JOHN WHEELER, Silversage, 15a Albany Road. Seaford, East Sussex.

From Mrs E. Faure Walker

Sir, Three days ago, my cochlear im-plant was switched on at Adden-brooke's Hospital in Cambridge. I am now discovering lost sounds. For the first time for 20 years I can hear the birds singing. The world has come

With Lord Ashley, I strongly believe that whenever possible every deaf child should have the chance of joining the hearing world.

Yours faithfully, ELIZABETH FAURE WALKER, Mill House, Stoke Doyle. Peterborough, Cambridgeshire.

From Mrs Judy Holcroft

A. B. CORNWELL,

Barton, Cambridge.

55 High Street,

Yours etc.

June 4.

Sir, A recent trip to my local supermarket caught me scratching my head. I wanted to buy some ready-made prawn cocktail. I searched the seafood section. I frisked the fish

"Oh no, it's not in there any more," said the assistant as if I should have known. "It's over there in the cold meat cabinet."

JUDY HOLCROFT, 8 Cranebrook Close, Coppenhall, Crewe, Cheshire.

From Dr John Burscough

Sir, Any new parent could have told General Sir Ian Gourlay that next to the nappies is the ideal place to keep the aspirin.

Yours faithfully.
JOHN BURSCOUGH. Woodland View, Melton Road, Wrawby, Brigg, Lincolnshire.

Baling out

From Air Vice-Marshal John Price

Sir, Mr Gordon Fenwick (letter, June is quite right about different wars requiring different "escape money" to be issued to aircrew.

Flying Meteors with 77 Squadron. Royal Australian Air Force in Korea, I was supplied with packets of penicillin with which to aid escape. The packets were stamped with a "use-by date" long passed; fortunately I was never required to test the English reading skills of North Korean villag-

Yours sincerely, JOHN PRICE, 2 Palace Yard, Hereford. June 4.

Coded message

From Mr L. C. Smith

Sir, There is indeed a name beginning with E concealed within the Inspector Morse theme (report, June 5) and one that the touchy Morse might well wish to keep quiet about, since it features in a piece of childish doggerel.

I wouldn't want to spoil the fun by revealing it. On the other hand, if representatives of the press were to descend on my home, whisk me off to a secret hotel, ply me with food and drink and offer me tempting sums of money ...

Yours sincerely, L.C. SMITH. 7 Chalfont Walk. Pinner, Middlesex.



#### COURT CIRCULAR

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** June 7: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh this morning arrived at Liverpool Lime Street Station and were received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Merseyside (Mr Alan Waterworth) and Conamodore Ian Berry (Deputy Lieutenant of Merseyside).

Merseyside).
Her Majesty drove to Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts and was received by Mr Mark Featherstone-Witty (Chief Executive), Mr Anthony Field (Chairman) and Mr and Mrs Baul McCarings (Parrores).

Field (Chairman) and Mr and Mrs Paul McCariney (Patrons). The Queen toured the building and watched dance and music performances by the students, before officially opening the Institute. Her Majesty and His Royal Highness afterwards visited Conway Park. Birkenhead, to view the redevelopment of the area and were received by theat of the area and were received by the Mayor of Wirral (Councillor Mrs Myrra Lea).

The Queen, accompanied by The Duke of Rdinburgh, opened Europa Pools and visited Europa Square. Her Majesty and His Royal Highnational Business and Management Centre and were received by the Principal (Mrs Jennifer Shackleton). The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh, toured the Centre's teaching and community facilities and attended a Luncheon, before officially

opening the new building. Her Majesty this afternoon attended a Concert in the Philharmonic Hall and was received by the President, Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Soci-ety (the Earl of Derby), the Chairman Mr Brian Thaxter) and the Lord Mayor of Liverpool (Councille Frank Doran).

Afterwards The Oueen officially reopened the newly restored Hall.
The Duke of Edinburgh this morning opened the new European Technical Centre for Champion Spark

Plug, Upton,
His Royal Highness this afternoon opened the Deko Electronics Overseas Corporation's new factory in Kirby.
The Duke of Edinburgh, Trustee of

the Council, this evening attended the 1996 St George's House Lecture at Windsor Castle.

Windsor Castle.

Sir Marcus Worsley, Bt (Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of North Yorkshire) was present at Royal Air Force Linton on Ouse this afternoon upon the departure of Her Excellency President Mary Robinson and Mr Nicholas Robinson and bade them farewell on behalf of The Queen. **BUCKINGHAM PALACE** June 7: The Duke of York this

sorvice in York Minster and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutemant of North Yorkshire (Sir Marcus Worsley, Bt).
His Royal Highness, Patron, this afternoon opened the Northern Police

Convalescent Home, Castlebrae, Auchterarder, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Perth and Kinross (Sir David Monugomery, Bt).

The Duke of York, Patron, Jubilee
Sailing Trust, later attended the Keel-Laying of the new Square Rieged Ship at Merlin Quay, Woolston, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Hampshire (Mrs Mary

#### Service dinner

Lieutenant-General S.C. Grant, Commandant of the Royal College of Defence Studies, was the host at a ladies' dinner night beld last night at Greenwich, Commander Jonathan Maughan, Commander of the Royal Naval College Greenwich, and Mrs Maughan were the guests of honour. Rear-Admiral Louis Armstrong presided. Lieutenant-Commander

First Standay after Trimity
BELFAST CATHEDRAL: 10 MC: 11 5 Eucl.
Jackson in R. Se still my soul (Whitlock): 3.30
Choral E, Dyson in F, And I saw a new heaven
flashion).

(Bainton). BIRANINGHAM CATHEDRAL: 9 MP. 9.15 NC: 11 Choral Eoch, Mass for four voices (Byrd). O Section convivium (Tailis, Pyovost 4 Choral E, Noble in A, Greater love bath no man (Ireland).

BLACKBURN CATHEDRAI: 8 HC; 9, IS Charal M. Hyran to the Trinity (Trinskovsky) (0.36 Each, Mass for bour volces (Byrd), Canon D Gaillies: 4 Choral E, Te lucts Jane terminam (Gardinen, Canon A Hindley).

EUCH. Mass for four volcer (89rd). Cannor D Gaillee 4 Choral E. Te lucks anne terminam (Gardiner). Carnon a Hindley.

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The Central India Horse

Brigadier C.T. Edward-Collins pre-sided at the annual luncheon of The Central India Horse held yesterday at Chiridge's Hotel.



lune 7: The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, this morning visited Gul His Royal Highness afterwards visited St Minver School, Wadebridge, The Prince of Wales this afternoon

attended a Jubilee Ball at Cran-field University and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Bedfordshire (Mr Samuel

ST JAMES'S PALACE

visited the Royal Cornwall Show, the Showground, Wadebridge, KENSINGTON PALACE June 7: The Princess of Wales this

morning arrived at Hea port, London, from the United States of America. Viscountess Campden was in

KENSINGTON PALACE June 7: The Duchess of Glouceste accompanied by The Duke of Gloucester, this alternoon named the Swan Hellenic Cruise Ship Minerva at Thames Quay, West India Dock

London El4. Their Royal Highnesses were re-ceived on arrival by the Viscount Slim (Deputy Lieutersant of Greater London).

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

June 7: The Duke of Kent, President the Football Association, this evening attended the UEFA Banquet to mark Euro 96, at Guildhall, London EC2. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE RICHMOND PARK June 7: Princess Alexandra, Patron of

the Centenary Year of St Mary's Convent and Nursing Home. Chiswick, this morning attended a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving in the Convent Chapel, Burlington Lane, Chiswick, London W4. Her Royal Highness, accompanied by the Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy, this evening attended the St George's House Annual Lecture in St George's

Royal engagements

Chapel, Windsor.

TODAY: The Duke of Kent, as President of the Football Association. will attend the Euro 96 England versus Switzerland final tournament match at Wembley Stadium at 11.55. TOMORROW: The Duke of York, as Colonel-in-Chief of The Staffordshire Regiment (The Prince of Wales's), will visit the 3rd (Volunteer) Battation at Swynnerton, Staffordshire, at 10.30.

#### Service luncheons

Sameer's Horse
Officers of Skinner's Horse (First
Duke of York's Own Cavalry) and
their ladies held their annual luncheon yesterday at the Cavalry and
Guards Club. Lieutenant-Colonel
Douglas Gray presided.

(Vaughan Williams): 5.15 Seaford College Confirmation

Confirmation.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, Oxford: 3 HC.

10 M & Strmort, Jubiliste (Watton), Cunon
Gordon: 11.15 S Such, Missa ecce ego Jeannie
Palestrian), O prelise the Lord (Barten), 6 E. Fifth
Service (Tornitins), Hymn of the cherubim
Plachmanitor).

Dachmaninov, CATHEDRAL: 7.40 MP. 8
COVENTRY CATHEDRAL: 7.40 MP. 8
Communion; 10.30 Euch, Organ Solo Mass
(Mozari), Spirit of the Living God (Wright), Rev Dy
F Kean.: 3 German Lutherans; 5.30 EP. 6.30 URC
District Service

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DURHAM CATHEORAL: 8 HC. Precentor: 10 M.
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Glisbons, 0 cord three para for men.
Precentor: 11.15 HC. Mass in three para (8)vid.
O sacrour convivium (victoria), Dean: 3.50 E.
McAilliam in D. The heavens declare the giory of Cord filtons.

PROSTROY: 11.15 MC. Mass in three parts (ByYG).
O SECURIO CONVENTION (VICTORIA), DEARS 3.30 E. McMilliam in D. The horvers deciare the glory of God (Boyce).

ELY CATHEDRALI: 8.13 MC. Canon D Green; 10.30 3 Buch. Mass for five voices (ByYG). I have surely both thee an house (Boyce). Rev A Christian: 2.15 Cambridgeshire Regiment Old Compades: 3.45 E. Magdalen Service (Leighton). Jord thou hass been our retuge (Baiscrow).

BULTER CATHEDRALI: 8 MC; 9.45 S Buch. Mass for five voices (ByYG). The Ven T. Lloyd: 11.15 M., 71 Deum. Alcock in B flat. Hymn to the Trinlay (The Jabority). The Treasurer: 12. Stanford in G. Herelte, 19. The Venture of the Control of the Charles of the Control of the Con

STER CATHEDRAL BAS MP. 9 HC.



Operagoers picnic on the lawns of the National Trust-owned Castleward during an interval in La Bohème

#### Ulster's Glyndebourne plays to packed houses

By NICHOLAS WATT CHIEF IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

ALTHOUGH Northern Ireland's answer to Glyndebourne has to make do with a barn as its auditorium, this season's first night of La Bohème played to a packed and enthusiastic house.

This month the great and the good of Northern Ireland are heading for Castleward, a Victorian estate on the shores of picturesque Strangford Lough in Co Down, for the highlight of the Province's summer season.

On the dot of 7.30pm a gong sounded the beginning of the performance in the long, narrow auditorium, which was once Castleward's coach house. Just over 200 people sat on metal chairs in the barn which has whitewashed walls and

The Duke and Duchess of Kent

celebrate the 35th anniversary of their

TODAY: Sir William Barlow, former

TODAY: Sir William Barlow, former chairman, BICC, 72; the Rev Dr J.C.A. Barrett, Headmaster, The Leys School, Cambridge, 53; Lord Campbell of Croy, 75; Miss Lindka Cierach, fashion designer, 44; Mr Michael Codon, theatrical producer, 66; Professor Alice Coleman, geographer, 73; Professor Francis Crick, OM, FRS, biologist, 30; Earl Ferrers, 67; Mr Dudley Fishburn, MP, 50; Lord Justice Glidewell, 72; Mr David Hobman, former director, Age Con-

Lord Justice Glidewell. 72; Mr David Hobman, former director, Age Con-cern England, 69; Mr Raymond Illingworth, chairman, England com-mittee, TCCB, 64; Sir Michael Levey, former director, National Gallery, 69; Lady Littler, chairman, Gaming Board for Great Britain, 64; Dame

Jean Maxwell-Scott, Lady-in-Waiting to Princess Alice Duchess of Glouces

ter, 73; Sir Ian Morrow, company director, 84; Mr A.J. Mottram, for

mer termis player, 76; Major-General William Odling, 87; Sir Crunley

Onslow, MP, 70; Sir Eric Parker, former deputy chairman and group chief executive, Trafalgar House, 63; Brigadier Gael Ramsey, former commander, HQ Aldershot Garrison, 54;

Sir Julian Ridsdale, former MP, 81; Mrs Norma Shaw, bowler, 59; Dr

Robert Stevens, Master, Pembroke College, Oxford, 63; Mr Martin Taylor, chief executive, Bardays Bank, 44; Mr Derek Underwood, cricketer, 51; Dame Anne Warburton,

Weekend birthdays

former President, Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge, 69; Mr Graham Watson, literary agent, 83; Sir Alwyn Williams, former Vico-Chancellor.

TOMORROW: Mr P.G. Bezzley. MEP, 74; Mr Tony Britton, actor, 72:

Viscount Craigavon, 52: Mr Edgur Evans, tenor, 84; Mr Michael J. Fox.

35: Professor

Gruffydd, former director, Universir

and Celtic Studies, 68; Mr Jeremy Hardie, chairman, W. H. Smith

Hardle, chairman, W. H. Smith Group, St. Sir Peter Heatly, former chairman, Commonwealth Games Federation, 72; Mr Douglas Hender-son, MP, 47; Mr Roy Hughes, MP, 71; Mr Derek Hunt, chairman, MFI Furniture Group, 57; Sir Roger Hurn, chairman and chief executive, Smiths Industries, St. Mr Peter Kilfoyle, MP, ED St. Michael Hund femer Filter.

Daily Express, 54: Mr Robert Mc

Namara, former American Secretary of Defence, 80; Mr Michael Mates,

MP, 62; General Sir Geoffrey

Musson, 86: Mrs June O'Dell, former

deputy chairman, Equal Opportu-nities Commission, 67; Mr Charles

Sautchi, partner, M and C Sautchi.

53; Mr Peter Sanders, former chief executive, Commission for Racial

Equality, 58; Sir Douglas Smith, former chairman, Acas, 64; Vice-Admiral Sir Patrick Symons, 63; Colonel J.F. Williams-Wynne, former

Lord-Lieutenant of Gwynedd, 88; Mr Peter Wilson, chairman, Gallaher, 55.

a corrugated iron roof. The stage is so small that the singers have to enter from the back and the stage manager monitors the performance on a television screen from a cubbyhole. Despite the cramped surroundings, Castleward is building a strong reputation on the opera circuit. Fiona O'Neill sang powerfully as Mimi and Tom Rice's designs cleverly recreated scenes from fin de siècle Paris on the small stage.

After the second act there was a 75minute break for dinner. Most opted for the comfort of a full-course dinner in a marquee, but a hardy few braved the chill of an Ulster summer evening to eat picnics in the estate's sunken garden.

One group laid out their carefully prepared picnic on a table bedecked with an elaborate candelabra. The party have been coming to Castleward every year since the opera started in 1985, and said it has improved each year.

Charles Fitzgerald, the Belfast Newsletter's art critic, described Castleward as a shining example of the way the arts succeeded in Northern Ireland despite the Troubles. "Castleward symbolises a resurgent spirit in Northern Ireland," he said. "It shows how we have built up opera, ballet and the arts in the midst of

Castleward staged its first opera in 1985 on a modest budget of £10,000 with the aim of promoting Irish singers, musicians and designers. The opera, which now has an annual budget of £260,000, has become such a success that Castleward now has to look further afield to attract more established singers.

#### **Anniversaries**

TODAY BIRTHS: Giovagni Cassini, astro

mer, Perinaldo, France, 1625; John Smeaton, civil engineer, Leeds, 1724; Count Alessandro Capliostro, ad-Palermo, 1743; Thomas Dunham Whitaker, topographer, Rainham, Norfolk, 1759; Robert Stevenson, civil engineer, Glasgow, 1772: Robert Schumann, compose Zwickan, Germany, 1810; Sir Wil-liam White Baker, explorer, London, 1821; Frank Lloyd Wright, architect, Richland Center, Wisconsin, 1867.

DEATHS: Muhammad, Medina 632; Hardicanute, King of England 1040-42, Lambeth, 1042; Edward the "Black Prince", London, 1376; Johann Winckelmann, historian, murdered Trieste, 1768; Thomas Paine, radical, New York, 1809; Sarah Siddons, actress, London, 1831; Andrew Jack-son, 7th American President 1829-37, Stat, 7th American President 18-53, Nashville, Tennessee, 1845; Sir Joseph Paxton, designer of the Crystal Palace, London, 1865; George Sand (pseudonym of Amandine Dupin), recussitet Neburg, Esteron 1876; Ceo. rard Manley Hopkins, poet, Dublin, 1889; Bliss Carman, poet, New Ca-naan, Connecticut, 1929; Russell Harty, broadcaster, Leeds, 1988. The electric suction vacuum-cleaner

The electric suction vacuum-tacam was putented, 1869.

James Earl Ray was arrested London and charged with the murd of Martin Luther King, Jr., 1968. General Franco closed Spain's fron-tier with Gibraltar, 1909. TOMORROW BIRTHS: Peter the Great, Tsar of

Russia 1682-1725, Moscow, 1672; George Stephenson, builder of the Rocket locomotive, Wylam, North-umberland, 1781; Elizabeth Garrett Anderson, physician, advocate of women's rights to practise medicine. first woman mayor in England. (Aldeburgh). London, 1836; Sir Henry Dale, physiologist, Nobel laureaue 1936, London, 1875; Cole Porter, songwriter, Peru, Indiana, 1893. DEATHS: Nero, Roman Emperor

ADS1-68. Rome. AD68: William Lilly, astrologer. Hersham, Surrey, 168i: Sir James Brooke. Rajah of Sarawak 1841-68. Burrator, Devon. 1868; Charles Dickens, novelist, Gadshill Place, near Rochester, 1870; Sir Walter Besunt, novelist and philanthropist, London, 1901; Ugo Betti, dramatist, Rome, 1953; Robert Donat, actor, London, 1958; Max Aitken, 1st Baron Beaverbrook, newspaper proprietor, Leatherhead, 1964; Dame Sybil Thorndike, accress.

The Book of Common Prayer was adopted by the Church of England, 1549. Britain took a 99-year lease on the

New Territories, Hong Kong, from China, 1898.

Donald Duck made his screen debut in The Wise Little Hen, 1934. The House of Commons was broad-cast live by radio for the first time, 1975.

#### **Forthcoming** marriages

Mr R.W. Adam and Miss N.W. Grant The engagement is announced between Russell, only son of Mr Douglas Adam, of Stirling, and Mrs Krystyna Adam. of Edinburgh. and Nicola, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Grant, of Cheam, Surrey. Mr A.P. Barbieri

CRISPIN ROOWEL

and Miss D.C. Les The engagement is announced between Adrian, son of the late Mr U. Barbieri and of Mrs I. Barbieri. of Hampstead, London, and Denise, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs R.V. Lea. of Charlesworth, Derbyshire.

Mr J.D.J. Bennett and Miss D.M. Joel

The engagement is announced between John, son of Colonel and Mrs Duncan Bennett, of Southwater, Sussex, and Deborah. daughter of Group Captain and Mrs Lloyd Joel of Wissen, Suffolk Mr S.M. Bennett and Miss K.S. Bowes

The engagement is announced between Simon, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Bob Bennett, of Shrewsbury, Shropshire, and Katherine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Bowes, of Banstead, Surrey.

Mr R.B. Blackburn and Miss S.A. Kingston The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs Ian Blackburn, of Goddards Green, Sussex, and Sally, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Kingston, of Pangbourne,

Berkshire. Mr E.J.T. Brett and Miss O.K. Morley The engagement is announced between Edward, son of Mr and Mrs Tim Brett, of Chilham, Kent, and Octavia, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Morley, of Priston,

Mr J.R. Buckley-Jones and Miss V.M. Turner

The engagement is announced between Jason, son of Mr William Buckley, of Baldrine, Isle of Man. and Ms Glynis Jones, of Milan, italy, and Victoria, daughter of Mr and Mrs Terry Turner, of Stoke Hammond, Buckinghamshire.

and Miss K.A. Agafonoff

The engagement is announced between Rupert, son of Mr and Mrs M. Hucker, of Richmond, Surrey, and Katherine, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Againnoff, of Canberra, Australia.

Mr M.W. Kingsbury

and Miss S.L. Tunnell The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs Christopher Kingshury, of Cobham, Surrey, and Sarah, only daughter of Mr Clive Tunnell, of Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire, and Mrs Carole Malone, of Bradenham, Norfolk.

Mr T.A. Lock and Miss AJ. Whitwara

The engagement is announced between Adam, youngest son of the late George Luck and of Mrs Diana Luck, of Golant, Cornwall, and Jill, eldest daughter of Mr Roger Whitwam, of Mawnen nith, Cornwall, and Mrs Anne Ashcroft, of Congresbury, Bristol. Mr J. Maemillan

and Miss G. Paget The engagement is announced between Julian, only son of Mrs Vonda Macmillan Beck and the late Major John Macmillan, and stepson of Mr David Beck, of Liandovery, and Gilly, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Jonathan Paget, of Swindon, Wiltshire. Mr G.M. Rogers

and Dr C. Mowbras The engagement is announced between Gideon, son of John and Olive Rogers, and Christina, daughter of John and Shirley Mowbray.

Marriage

Patricia Cardona.

Mr R. Zietz and Mrs P. Cardons The marriage took place quietly in London, on Saturday, June 1, 1996, between Mr Rainer Zietz and Mrs

Baron Bingham of Cornhill

The life barrary conferred upon Sir Thomas Henry Bingham has been gazetted by the name, style and title of Baron Bingham of Cornhill.

#### Dinner

Corporation of London The Duke of Kent attended dinner given by the Corporation of London last night at Guildhall to mark Euro 96, the 1996 Football Championship Finals. The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and 1996, at 3.00pm. their Ladies, received the guests. The Lord Mayor, the Duke of Kent Sidney Sussex College, and Mr Lennart Johannson, Presi-

Among others present were:
The Ambassadors of Romania, Spain, the Creech Republic. Swiperland, the Netherlands. Turkey, Swiperland, the Netherlands. Turkey, Suigaria and Portugal. Lord Aberdane, Lord Howell, Mr Michael Heseldine, Mr J. the Hon Peter Brooke, C.H., Mr. Mr David Mellor, OC. Mr. Mr. Vingeria Bottomier, Mr. Sir Brooke, C.H., Mr. Mr David Mellor, OC. Mr. Mr. Vingeria Bottomier, Mr. Sir Brooke, C.H., Mr. Mr. David Mellor, Oc. Mr. Sir Sellinger, General Screen, Startin Golinton, the Chairman of the Pootball Association and Lady Millichip, the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, the Lord Mayor of Westminster, the Lord Mayor of Westminster, the Lord Mayor of Urea, Urea representatives, members of the council of the Football Association, representatives of other sporting bodies, Aldermen, Common Councilmen and Among others present were: Aldermen, Common Councilmen and Officers of the Corporation of Landon,

dent of Uefa, were the speakers.

Service reception

Lord Newall was the host at the annual reunion of members of the Indian Cavalry Officers' Associ-ation and their ladies held yesterday at the House of Lords.

#### Memorial service Mr Andrzej Olszowski

A memorial service for Mr Andrze Olszowski will be held in St Augustine's Catholic Church, Tunbridge Wells on Monday, July I,

Cambridge Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge

held a Quatercentenary Dinner at the Durbar Court, in the Foreign & Commonwealth Office on Wednesday, June 5. Lord Woolf. Master of the Rolls, was the Guest of Honour. Other guests included: Mr Graville Inner, OC, MP, Pre, yor Rudolph Marcus Iwinoer of the Abbel Prize in Chemistry), Sir Richard Fowell, CCE, KBE, CMC, and Mr-Ambeny Percival (Group Finance Director of Ringinsher pic, The Dinner russed money for a new lecture and conference, ball in the College.

The Old Carthusian Club

Old Carthusian Day will be held at Charterhouse on Saturday, June --29. The AGM will take place in Hall at 3.30pm. The Clubroom will:

## Church services tomorrow

10.30 S Euch, The Manchester Service (Beer), The Dean: 6.30 B, Stanford in C, Canon P Denty, NEWCASTLE, CATEMBERAL: 7.30 M; 8 HC, Canon I Sennett 9.30 S Euch, Collectium Regale (Howelds), Hymn to the cherobim (Rachmaninov), Canon I Sennett 6 Diocesan Service of Confirmation with HC, Motari in C KY258, Draw is in the Spirity subter II Prietally, The Bishop, NEWFORT CATHEDRAL: 8,9,15 HC; 10.30 M. The Deum (Fields of D. P.) was glad Parryf; 6.30 E, Saper Burning Bullylonis (Palestrina), PETURESPROGRIC CATHEDRAL: 8,15 HC; 9.30 NEWFORT CATHEDRAL 4,9,15 HC: 10.30 M. TEDEUM (IREAM IN F), I WES GIAD (PARTY): 6.30 E.
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JUDILIAN (WALLON): 10.30 E.OK, SARIFORS IN B. BL.;

THE PROCEDURE. 3.30 E. Dyson in F. Lord (BOU Bass)
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ROCKESTER CATHEDRAL: 8 HC: 9.45
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VARIAL, CROON JAMPSON. 3.15 E., (Edy in C. Lord

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JUNIOR J. SARN COMMENT SETVICE.

AALISBURY CATHEDRAL: 8 HC. CANON J.

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in G. Isaw the Lord Stainer, Canon D O'Connor. WELLS CATHEDRAL: 8 HC: 9.45 5 Euch, Jackson In G. Ave verum corpus (Byrd), REV G Parran; 11.30 M, Stanford in A. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem Ciewesis; 3 E. The Second Service (Leighton), O Sing union the Lord (Purocil), Preb P Blake: Preemasons Service. Blake: Preemasons Service.
WENTHATN'S TER ABBERT'S A HC; 10 M; Britten in
C. Set, mass a service with the Canon D Grey; 11.15
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Each, Missa Drevis (Palestrina), Bev P Ferguson; 10 S Euch, Missa Drevis (Palestrina), Bev P Ferguson; 10 S Euch, Missa Drevis (Palestrina), Bev P Ferguson; 11.30
M. Noble in B minor; 4 E & admission of churisters, Sumsion in G, Gordons and powerful God (Gibons), Rev R Metcalle; 7.30 Army Benerolent Fund.

EXASAPH CATEEDBEAL Charge BMC: 11 Chornel SCHOOLER FUND.

STASAPH CATHERDRAL, Cheyd: 8 HC; 11 Choral M. Dyson in D. How lovely are thy dwellings (Brahms), The Dean.

ST GEORGE'S CATHERDRAL, Southwart: \$, 10, 6 LM: 11.30 Soleton Mass, Mass in G (Mozard, Greater love () Ireland, Fr G Bradley: 3 Nigerian Mass. ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL London: 8 HC: 8,45 M: 11 5 Euch. Missa Pange lingue (Bosquin), G Eastrum contribum (Vanu). The Deant: 2.50 Polish Air Pince Wreathlaying: 3,15 E, Gray in F minor. For he shall gibe his angels charge over thee Decibirate 96. Diocessin Service. ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street, Wr. 8.5.15 Lie: 10.20 HM, Ireland in C, The Vicur, 6 E&R, Ireland in F. Dr C Rawil.

THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick Street, WI: 11 Missa brevis (Palestrina). Ego sum panis vivus (Palestrina). Ave verum (Gounod). CHELSEA OLO CHURCH, SW3: 8,12,15 MC; 10 Children; 11 M, Canon B Smith, O sing joyfully (Batien); 6 E. Rey Dr P Eby. (Basica): 6 S. Rev Dr P Eby.

CROWN COURT CAURCH OF SCOTTAND,
COVERT Garden, WC2: 11.15, 6.30 Rev S Hood.

PARM STREET, W1: 8, 9.30, 12.30, 4.15, 6.15 LM:
11 Hill, Mass for double choir (Rheinburger),
ECC Parils Angelorum (Mendelssöhn).

BOLL TEINTY BROWNTON, Brougston Rand.
SW7: ASB HC, Rev S Miller; 11 Family, Rev N Lec.
5 Services move to St. Psui's Cathedral for the
Bishop of London's: 7.30 Let's Celebrale.

THE CHADDEY Revenues that HTM: 4.00. THE ORATURY, Brompton Sead, SW7: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Mass, Misse Vinum bonum (Lassus), Laudair Domilium (Vicioriti; (2.30, 4.30, 7 Mass; 3.30 V 8 R. Pange lingua (Palestrins), ARMENIAN APOSTOIAC CHURCH: Previs Géas, WS 11 Holy Mass, Archbishop Y Gizirian. WESLEYS CHAPEL, Clay Resed, EC2 9.45 Rev Dr G Barrist; 11 Rev Dr C Morris. WESTMINETER CENTRAL HALL (Methodist). SWI: 11 Rev Dr P Graves: 6.30 Rev Dr R Globins. ST ALBAN'S CHURCH, Chatham, Kent 9.45 MP. 10.30 S Mass & Sermon. 10.30 5 Mass & Sermon.

St ANNÉ AND ST AGNES flutherani, Graham

St EC2 11 Choral HC, Rev F Schmiege: 7

Lutheran Choral Vespers, Rev F Schmiege: 7

ST BARTHOLOMEN THE GREAT, Smithdeld,

EC1:9 HC; 11 M, Noble in B minor, Tantum ergo

(Hernschef, The Revier 6.30 Choral Buch, Missa

Brevis (Berkeley), Are verum (Byru), The Rector. HT BRIDE'S, Plact Street, EC4: [1 Chore) M & Euch, Jubilate (trejand in C), St Nicholas Mass

(Hayda), Ave verum (Mawby), Caron J Oates; 6.30 Choral E, Stanford in C, Three Motess (Brahms), Canon J Oates. ST CLEMENT DANES: 11 WAAF Association Service, I saw the Lord (Steiner), Rev P Elshop. ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Pool Street. SWI: 11 Rev W A CRITIS: 6.30 Rev C MacLeod. MacLeto.

ST ETHELDREDA'S, Ely Pioce: 9, 11 Masses, Mass for 3 voloss (Haller), Christium Regern Adorestus (Cassil). ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square, W1: 8.30 HC: | | S Euch: | | Missa Brevis (Lasso), The Rector. ST JAMES'S, Confectionine, EC4: 10.30 5 Euch (1662), John Paul, Rector.

ST JAMES'S, Suspen Cardens, W2: 8 Euch: 10.30 5 Euch (1662), John Paul, Rector.

ST JAMES'S, Suspen Cardens, W2: 8 Euch: 10.30 5 Euch: 10.30 6 Euch; Mass of the quiet hour (0.40royd). Are verum corpus (Elgan, Rev A Meldrum; 6 2 2nd Service (Byrd), Glorious and powerful God (Gibbons).

ST JAMES'S, Pleastilly: 8.30 HC; () 5 Euch, Sr Helen SCF, 5.45 EP. ST JOHN'S, Streetford, E15; 11 Family, Suite Modale (Petiers), Rev D Richards; 6.30 HC, Rev D Richards. ST LUKE'S, Cheises, 5W3: 8 HC: 10.30 MP & HC. Rev D Watson; 6.30 & I was glad (Purcell), Rev G ST MARCH. CAMESCA, SWI 28 HC; 10.30 MF & HC. 
SRY D Watson; 6.30 E. I was glad (Purcell), Rev G 
Beaucharns.

ST MARKS, Regeats Park Rd, NWI: 8 HC; 9.45 
Family C: 11 S Such. Durke in E. Let all the world 
(Yaugham Williams), Rev A Spec. 
ST MARGARETS, Westenbrister. SWI: 11 S Each. 
& Baptism. Misses brevis in C. K140 (Mozart). 
Inbilish (Contendige), The Deam. 
ST MARTIN-IN-1745-PELLOS, WC2: 8 HC; 9.45 
Such, I will not kere you comfortless (Josife). 
Liliany to the Holy Spirit (Hurlord). The Vicar. 
11.30 Visitors, Benfelcinus in Bb, (Stanford). 
Laudste Domlinum (Mozart); 2.45 Chinese, Rev G 
Lee S Choral E. Fourth Evening Service (Batten). 
We walt for thy loving kindness O Lord (McKle): 
6.30 Evening. The Vicar 

ST MART ABBOTS CHURCH, Rensington. We: 8.12.30 HC; 9.30 Perish Euch, The Vicar, II.15 Choral M, REV P Elvey; 6.30 E, Choral E & Sezzon, Rev F Gettl. ST MARX-THE-VIEUTN, Primone Hill: F HC: 10.30 Partan Euch, Collegium Regule (Howelst, Thou with keep him in periete posce (Westey), Rev J Princhard; 6 Prayer & Medithidion. ST MARYLEBONE, Marylebone Road, W1: 8 HC, 11 Choral Euch, Missa Regina coel (Palestrina), O sucrum convivium (Crocci, Rev P Wells. O Secram convivium (Croce, Rev P Weils.

If PETER'S, Ealers, Seguere, SW: 8.15 FIC; 10
Family Euch: 11 S Euch, Miera Sancel Leopold
(Haydin, O mysercium ineffadde (Lallouette),
Adagle and Alegro (Mozart), Fr D B Tillyer.

ST SIMON ZELOTES, Milaer St. SW: 11 M.
Jobilate (Sheppard), O what their Joy (Narris),
Rev R Ballard; 6.30 E.

Jubiliate (Sheppard), O what their loy (Harris), Rev R Ballard; 6.30 E. CHAPEL NOYAL OF ST PETER AD VINCULA, Rev R Ballard; 6.30 E. CHAPEL NOYAL OF ST PETER AD VINCULA, HM Tower of London: 7.45 HC; 11 M S CERNOI, Benedictus, First Service (Byrd), Homo quidom (Talis), Canon J G M W MUTDY.

CHAPEL ROYAL SE Lamest Fulnes. 8.30 HC; 11.15 MP. Set me a seal (Walton), Rev J Adams.

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SERVICES

RIRTHDAYS

THANKSGIVING

SEPDON - A Themisolving Service for the life of Charles Cuddon will be held in the Hampden Hall, Emanuel School, Battersea Rise. SW11 1HS (OLBI 870 4171)

PHIPPS Jamette. 9th June 1986. Congretulations on machine this milestone birthday, With love, Klaron, Amoret & Harrist.

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## PERSONAL COLUMN

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Who knows what a human partit within him? In the name way, only the Spirit of God knows what God k, 1 Corististes 2: 11 (REES) BIRTHS IAWRENCE — On June 6th 1996, to Sue and Klun, a precious daughter, Charlotte Lilly, Thunka to Sun, the Erral BROWN - On 24th May, to Karen and Andrew, a beautiful daughter, Poppy Miranda Frances, a sister for Jande and Lara. BURDEN - On June 4th at The Portland Hospital, to Julia (nde Name) and Philip a daughter Stephanie, a sister MacDERMOT - On 28th May at S. Paulo, to Recent and Dominic, a daughter, Patricia Maxy, to Saturation.

CLARKE - On June 1st to
Ketherine (tofe Othorn) and
Andrew, a 90n, James
Andrew Hugh, a brother for SCOTT - On March 29th, to David and Janine, a son, James Victors. FOX - On June 3rd, to Coorps. On May 5th 196 s beautiful daughter. Abject Chice Georgina, born to Donnette (nie Grenves) and Edward. Edward.

HGPE - On May 17th 1996 is
Altavick. Nerthamberiand.
to Assa Osfe Porter) and
Vincest, a desogher: Emby, a
stater for Toby.

KEENAM - On June 4th 1996
at The Portland Houghlet, to
Valerie and Timethy, a
benutiful daughter.
Kintagme, a sister for James
and Mark.

KEEN-ORIGINATION - On 2nd June
1996, to Sarah Osfe Lyne)
and Anthony, a daughter,
Alexa Rose, a sister for
Georgia, Will and Freddie.

SPARI - On hary 29th, to Alex and Michele, a son, Cameron Edward Michael, a brother for Alamader and Georgia, Our thanks to the staff at Queen Charlothe's Hospital, Lundon. TOOM - On June 3rd at Letcester City General, to Martin sed Yvenne, a sea, Max Joseph Michael, a brother for Grace and grandson for Michael and Margaret, TRITTON - On 30th May 1996, to Annell (nde-Pougatch) and Charles, a son, Felix Michael Courtessey.

DEATHS CHEMELL - On June Sin.

Stationary but peterolative at
home, Major Michael George
Patrick MVO., aged Gi.
Helowed father of William
and cherched prother of
Anthony. Funeral at St Jose
of Ark Catholic Church,
Tithord Read, Parnham,
Surrey at 1.45pm;
Wadmeday June 12th.
CHOWH - Claude Heary
lyna, dearly loved husband
of Koshissa, dear Johns
Officer, Margaret and
Richard, and mach loved
grandfather, passed
jenochtity away on Sin June
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Office. County Hall,
Cheimsford, Enquiries to
West & Coe (0181) 5920164.
DAVIS - Dr. Ines M (1966) West & Coe (0181) 592-0164.

DAVIE - Dr. Ines M (née Trimmingham) (M.B.S. Madras Univ) O.S.E. born Calcutta. India. 28th Immury 1916 pecoricly on 17th May 1996 Grunda. West India: Medical Officer Port-of-Spate. Trinidad and St George's. Greenade wife of Benjamin Nathaniel Davis, deceased: beloved mother of Benjamin A.L. Davis. grandmother of Alexandra and Bertomin. Enguiries co-Amund Villaga. St Peter's. Burbados.

Difficali - On June 6th 1996 Pencetully Violet Helley aged 82 years, loving mother of Shema and Bridget and grandstother of Tanya, Michael and Alexandra. The ESCOMME - On 6th June
1996 at Tyndaie Nurshig
Himne pencetrily in her sleep
Huriel Elizabeth agod 85
years, fermerly of Yeovil.
Pensent Service on Friday
14th June at Yoovil Cremaforium at 11am.
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#### Glyn Worsnip, television presenter and actor, died from an infection after a long illness on June 6 aged 57. He was born on September 3, 1938.

GLYN WORSNIP spent five years as the assistant to Esther Rantzen in That's Life. This was the early 1970s. when the programme was new and the format delightfully fresh. The same misshapen carrots sent in by readers, the same talented pets, and even the same conmen resurfaced again and again over the years. They turned the

programme into a national institution. Worsnip was part of a team of two young men who assisted Esther Rantzen. Kieran Prendiville was a puppyish young northern reporter. Worsnip his more urbane foil. His job was to be the straight man, the "clown with a straight face", as he described himself. "If there was scummy water, I would be pushed in it. If there were rotten eggs, they would be broken over my head.

Worsnip went on to more television work after That's Life. But then, in the mid-1980s, he became ill. Two years later, he announced publicly what many in the business already knew, that he was suffering from a rare brain disease, cerebellar ataxia. The courage with which he approached his long. final illness was a tribute to his uncrushable good humour.

Glyn Michael John Worsnip was the

son of an architect. He was educated locally at Highnam near Gloucester, then at Monmouth School. He did his National Service as an officer in the RAF in photographic intelligence, and then read English at St John's College, Oxford, where he was a leading light in OUDS. He remained in acting, and spent the next 15 years in repertory theatre. The high point of his acting career was when he appeared as Mr Sowerbery in Oliver! with Ron Moody in the West End.

It was an up-and-down sort of existence, and Worsnip was in a down patch - making ends meet as a clerk and typist for £20 a week - when auditions for a new show, That's Life, were announced in 1973. Worsnip knew Esther Rantzen from Oxford days, and had already made some humorous reports for the BBC magazine programme Nationwide. He put his name forward.

There were around 1,000 applicants. eventually whittled down to eight finalists. Each was given a pilot before a real audience. Worsnip's main competition, he felt, came from a young man called Simon Bates. He thought his worst fears were confirmed when Rantzen called the following day: "Evil news, I'm afraid." Rantzen paused dramatically, and then told him he had the lob.

Worsnip was teamed up with

#### **GLYN WORSNIP**



Prendiville, a Fleet Street journalist who had started his career in Oldham. They reacted well on stage together, particularly when acting out the letters of distressed viewers. Worsnip played the straight man, the po-faced voiced of authority. Prendiville the put-upon punter.

The team of Rantzen, Prendiville and Worsnip proved popular with the public, and the programme zoomed to the top of the viewing charts. An enormous postbag was generated, which was sifted through by a small team consisting of the presenters, five researchers and two secretaries. Their lavourite targets were bureau-

crats, as Worsnip recalled: "We frequently blew up the gas board, shocked the electricity board and dampened the spirits of the water board." There were also numerous pet stories. Worsnip remembered spending hours with an alligator in a basement flat in Surbiton, where it lived with a retired colonel who described his pet as "perfectly harmless". Some way through filming, the colonel retired to put the animal away, and came back covered with blood. Excuse me," he boomed stoically, "but think I'd better nip down to the hospital. The alligator's just bitten a hole in my arm."

Worsnip started receiving his own postbag from appreciative women viewers — although he was happily married, with a wife and young daughter who lived in the Forest of Dean. Some people thought his name was too funny to be real, made up especially for the show (Prendiville also suffered in this respect). Worsnip remained with the show for

five years. Since 1976 he had been iven a regular slot on Nationwide. and in 1978 he left That's Life for new challenges. There was a home im-provement series on Nationwide and in 1982 he presented a serious documentary on the heroes of the Falklands War. The Paras. He did a fair amount of work for BBC Radio, and was on Breakfast Time, when that started in 1983. He was covering the Conservative Party conference in Brighton for Breakfast Time, when the IRA bomb exploded in October 1984.

It was in 1988, when Worsnip was employed as chairman of the Radio 2 panel game Press Gang, that he decided to break the news about his illness. He had first realised that there was something dreadfully wrong with his balance two years earlier: "On a Tube train one day I suddenly stumbled ungracefully, grasping for sup-port at this lady's ample bosom, pinning her to a seat. But later, mounting an escalator with a heavy briefcase, I toppled backwards. Thirty people, or so, followed like dominoes. Matters were made worse by his occasionally slurred speech, which some people, unkindly and wrongly, implied was caused by an alcohol

problem. Worsnip kept a diary of his worsening condition, and eventually was diagnosed as suffering from degeneration of the cerebellum. He told colleagues on a need-to-know basis at first, but eventually decided to make his illness public after coming to the painful conviction that he could no longer be saved by the skill or patience of the producer and cameraman. He broadcast his moving account of living with the illness on Radio 4. A Lone

Worsnip continued working for as long as he could. Speech therapy taught him new tricks of pronunciation, and to the untrained ear his consonants could sound as crisp as ever. No longer able to write with his hand, he used a small lap-top word processor to write his story. Up the Down Escalator, published in 1990. Illness gave him compassion and insight into others' problems. He spent hours patiently answering letters from other sufferers, and formed a support group for them.

But live performance became, for the first time in his life, frightening, although he continued to work at what he could. He wrote occasional pieces and a column for the Manchester

Evening News.

Glyn Worsnip married his wife, Jo, in 1965. The marriage recently ended in divorce, and he is survived by their daughter and by his mother and

#### JEAN SINCLAIR

Jean Sinclair, founder of the Black Sash movement died in Johannesburg on June 6 aged 87. She was born in Johannesburg, on July 2

JEAN SINCLAIR was driving home to Johannesburg from Cape Town with a car full of children she was trying hard to keep amused when she heard a radio news bulletin that was to change her life and project her into the front line of anti-apartheid politics in South Africa. It was 1955 and the news bulletin reported that the National Party, seven years in power, was to rig the Senate, the upper house of the South African Parliament, to deprive mixed-race Coloureds of their votes. A few days later Sinclair

and a small group of upper-class, middle-aged white women met for tea in Johannesburg's well-to-do northern suburbs and decided to form the Women's Defence of the Constitution League. They drove to Pretoria and, with the support of many others from all over the country, stood silently along the approaches to the Union Buildings, the Government's administrative headquarters, wearing large black sashes in mourning for the rape of the Constitution.

Although the demonstration had no practical effect and the vote-stripping legislation was bulldozed through, any hopes the Government might have had that the ladies would quickly become bored and return to their tea parties and bridge tables was short-lived. Jean Sinclair's feelings of outrage grew as increasingly repressive apartheid legislation was enacted. The women of the Black Sash movement. as it shortly became known, began to be seen all over the country.

and ridiculed them, suggesting through a lapdog Afrikaans-language press and some not too sympathetic English-language -newspapers, that these well-groomed ladies would be far better employed looking after their children and ensuring that their hus-bands' meals were served on

The Government loathed



time. But at the same time ministers went to extraordinary lengths to try to avoid them. They used back entrances of public buildings, drove the wrong way along one-way streets and in some cases were even spotted jumping over fences to bypass the

Jean Sinclair was hauled into police stations for rigorous interrogation on many occasions but she was never charged with an offence, Black Sash protests were always kept within the law.

demonstrators.

The Sharpeville massacre in May 1960, when police opened fire on African pass law protesters, confronted the movement with its most serious crisis. In the aftermath of the massacre and a disastrous flight of currency from South Africa, the Government imposed a nationwide state of emergency and outlawed the African National Congress and the Pan Africanist

Congress. It was the beginning of the armed struggle and the most repressive period of apartheid rule. As the crackdown on all forms of dissent intensified, membership of the Black Sash declined and in 1961 Jean Sinclair took over the presidency, a position she was to hold for 14 years until she retired at the age of 76. It was her singular achievement that during her presidency the movement not only survived but expanded. Although the silent demonstrations continued, its focus became the pass laws which required blacks to carry at all times the despised "dompas", indicating whether they were allowed to be in any particular white area. Failure to produce it on demand meant instant arrest, imprisonment and, in

ished bantustan. The Black Sash set up a network of advice bureaux across the country staffed by volunteers who helped and gave advice to thousands of people seeking basic human rights despite the labyrinth of

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removal to a distant, impover-

apartheid laws.
The Black Sash closed its membership organisation shortly before its 40th anniversary last year. But it continues to run its advice bureaux with professional staff and has also established a special unit that keeps a close watch on legislation planned and enacted by the new Government. Jean Sinclair is is survived

three sons and two daughters.

#### **HENRY JOHNS**



Henry Johns, real tennis player, died on May 27 aged 85. He was born on July 21, 1910.

AN outstanding real tennis player. Henry Johns made a major contribution to one of the world's most historic sports. For more than 20 years he was head real tennis professional at Lord's. As well as winning several major championships, he was a dedicated coach, responsible for training many of today's leading players.

Harry David Johns - always known in real tennis circles as Henry - was brought up in Fulham where his father, who came originally from Pontypridd, had moved after the First World War. When he was young. Henry found a job at the Queen's Club as a lawn tennis ball-boy. But it was watching players on the real tennis court at Queen's that first instilled in him an interest in the game that he was to make his

In 1925 he moved to Prince's Club in Knightsbridge as a junior professional. It was there that he acquired his skill at real tennis. In 1934 he moved to the Cazalet court at

Fairlawne in Kent and two years later became assistant professional to Jack Groom at

1939 he enlisted in the Army, rising to the rank of sergeant in the Essex Regiment, mostly on anti-aircraft duties. By the time the war was over, the game of real tennis had fallen into a parlous state. Many courts had fallen into disrepair and there was a great shortage of balls. Johns set about improving the situation.

He established a small team of ball-makers at Lord's, consisting of George Beton, the changing room attendant, and George Ferguson. a young professional, who built the cores: Henry Johns himself. completed the balls to their correct size and weight: and Mrs Johns and Mrs Beton covered them. This team saved the game in the United States by delivering an order for 3,000 balls that took them. five years to complete.

When Jack Groom died in 1954 Henry was his natural successor as head professional and held that post with outstanding success until he re-tired in 1975. On his retirement the MCC conferred honorary membership of the

club on him - only the third time that a member of staff had been so honoured.

As a player he was one of the day and in the words of his contemporary. Jim Dear, he was "champion of the world at Lord's". Certainly he twice beat the world champion. Pierre Etchebaster, in exhibition matches at Lord's. Undoubtedly he was one of

the most elegant stroke-makers in the game. He won the Taylor Cup on several occasions and only narrowly lost to Ronald Hughes in the Open Championship of 1952. He was recognised as the outstanding marker of his day and marked many championship matches. Perhaps his greatest contri-

bution to the game was as coach and trainer. He taught many of today's professionals: among them David Cull, his successor at Lord's. David Johnson at Queen's. Brian Church at Cambridge, Peter Dawes at Seacourt and Derek Barrett at Manchester.

After his retirement, Johns continued to work part-time for two days a week at both Lord's and Oueen's. He only gave up some 18 months ago for reasons of health. But quite apart from his achieven he will be remembered for his kindness and courtesy both on and off the court. He was not only a great professional, but also a great gentleman.

He is survived by his wife Mona, and by two sons and two daughters.

#### JIMMY ROWLES

Jimmy Rowles, jazz pianist and composer. died in Los Angeles on May 28 aged 77. He was born in Spokane. Washington, on August 19, 1918.

A CAREER which included spells in the bands of Woody Herman, Benny Goodman and Bob Crosby would in itself have marked out Jimmy Rowles as a jazz pianist of note. All that, however, ignores his achievement in becoming one of the most sought-after accompanists in jazz history and his equally striking accomplishments as a composer. Rowles was a preferred accompanist for both Billie Holiday and Ella Fitz-gerald, and his composition The Peacocks has become one of the great jazz standards, immortalised in a definitive recording by Stan Getz and also on the soundtrack of the

film Round Midnight.

Rowles was born James George Hunter, but adopted his stepfather's surname. He was initially a self-taught pianist, but he acquired a sound technique and the beginnings of his encyclopaedic recall of hundreds of popular songs when still a student at the University of Washington in Seattle. When he moved to Los Angeles in 1940. he worked in the dance bands of Garwood Vam and Mousey Marsalino before being snapped up to work with several major jazz musicians including Lester Young. Ben

Webster and Slim Gaillard.

He first worked with Billie

Holiday in Lester Young's

band in May 1942. Her initial

reluctance at including a white

sideman in her group was overcome by Lester Young's reassurances that "this cat can blow". The same year he oined Benny Goodman, before replacing Tommy Linehan in Woody Herman's band, until Rowles was drafted in June 1943. He was to continue his association with Holiday, Goodman and Herman after leaving the Forces and in the late 1940s added the orchestras of Tommy Dorsey and Les Brown to the distinguished list of bands with whom he had worked.

The breadth of Rowles's experience and the wry humour which he worked into his playing made him the kind of pianist who could support and flaner almost any singer. His instant recall of vast tracts of the vocal repertoire made him an asset to singers like Tony Bennett and Peggy Lee as well the studio orchestras of Twentieth Century Fox, Universal

Pictures and NBC Television. with whom he worked for much of the 1950s and 1960s. He found time to participate in some of Jimmy Guiffre's more avant garde experiments, playing the celeste on the album Jimmy Guiffre Clarinet.

In the early 1970s, as synthesizers appeared and studio orchestras were laid off, Rowles began a new phase of his career on the East Coast. He followed an appearance at the 1973 Newport Festival with several years in the corner bars and cabarets of New York, where he became a master of the bass and piano duos required by the licensing laws. Some of his finest recordings are dues with bass-ists Red Mitchell, Buster Williams and Ray Brown.

At just about the age most people retire. Rowles accepted Norman Granz's invitation to join Ella Fitzgerald in 1981. aged 63. He stayed two years before resigning, overcome by Ella's daunting work schedule and constant travelling. He returned to the West Coast and continued to produce highly acclaimed records, including a recent collaboration with the English singer Norma Winstone. He was generous with his talents and tutored many jazz players and singers, including (briefly) coaching Marilyn Monroe in her quaint singing style.

His most noteworthy pupil was his own daughter Stacy. born in 1955, who has become a distinguished jazz trumpeter, a champion of women's causes in jazz, and who survives him.

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As a result of the defeat of his Home Rule Bill, Gladstone resigned, and a general election resulted in Lord Salisbury forming a Conservative Government

crowded than ever, and the Speaker instructed the "Ayes" to go to the right and the "Noes" to the left. A scene of tremendous excitement then took place. It was believed that the Government was beaten, for the Ayes tellers had returned. some seconds before the Noes. Then the long pent-up excitement culminated with a loud, long, and triumphant cheer from the Unionists. It was in vain that the Speaker and beckoned for silence. Cheers succeeded cheers, and the tellers stood in line waiting for the fatal

numbers to be announced. At 26 minutes past I silence was temporarily restored. and Mr. Brand, in tones so clear as not to be misunderstood, announced, "Ayes to right, 311; Noes to left, 341." It would be almost impossible to describe what followed. The rank and file of the Conservative party shouted themselves hoarse with cheering, at the same time waving their hats triumphantly and jumping on their seats in exultation. There was also some cheering on the Liberal benches, but Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Caine sat immovable, and Ministers apparently accepted their defeat with resignation. A voice sang out Three cheers for the Grand Old Man." The whole House seemed to rise at the call, and Liberals and Parnellites vied in applauding the mover of the Bill. The galleries seemed to join in the honour paid to the Prime Minister, for the whole House appeared charged with electricity. Mr. Gladstone's motion to adjourn was at once adopted. Members then began to leave amidst discordant cries against the dissentient Liberals.

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a lily pond.

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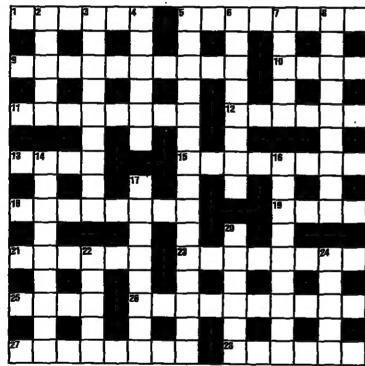
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26 When batting, aiming to be physically fit (2.8).

28 Primate heard from those taking

2 Fruit put right into open mouth

Shelter from sun that's terrifying about noon (6).
 Conclusive pronouncement in court (4,3,3,5).

8 Free love at first I was severe on

14 Fancied one girl opposed being

17 Joker's trick taking in press and TV (8).

20 African conference in a terrible

22 Part of council occupied with

Solution to Puzzle No 20,188

24 Nurse that loves butter? (5).

complaint from corpora-

3 Imitating act of stripper (6.3).

6 Forcing to be helpful (8).

7 Welsh gain new town (5).

cuddled (9).

upset (6),

raising tion (5).

16 Lady of the Lake (9).

27 Any hitch changing bulb? (8).

orders (3-3).

#### ACROSS

- I Girl with a gun my! (6).
- 5 Business asset, perhaps, needs sound, purposeful control (8).
- 9 Donkey, for example rather than wolf (4.6).
- 10 Taunt cat with tail of mouse (4).
- 11 Write numbers in a long chain (8). 12 The first to gain admission are minor aristocracy (6).
- 13 You may have this down at homelook around (4).
- 15 Obduracy of Sodom, say and the few that might have saved it at first (8).
- 18 Such a pair of spectacles, that was new some days previously (4-4).
- 19 Painting of the newly-clothed emperor? (4).
- 21 Go around the group (6). 23 Type of delivery that's always
- pitched the same way (8). 25 This large house sounds a drag

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**HIGH TIDES** 

HIGHEST & LOWEST

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#### **FORECAST**

for years.

General: England and Wales mostly cry with sunny periods, but southeast England might be rather cloudy during the morning Winds be mainly light, and it will leel much tresher.

Scotland and Northern Ireland mostly dry with sunny spells. A lew showers in northwest Scotland, Later, cloud will increase over Northern Ireland and western Scotland, with rain reaching these places during the evening. Winds will strengthen later in the west. Temperatures near normal.

☐ London, SE England, E Anglie: Rather cloudy at first, surnry periods developing. Wind mainly light NW. Fresher. Max 24C (75)F. ☐ Cent S , E, SW, NW, Cent N England, Midlands, E England, Channel Isles, Wales: Dry with sunny

periods, Wind light, meinty NW. Fresher. Max 20C to 22C (68F to 72F).

☐ Lakes, IoM, NE England, Borders, E'burgh & Dundee, A'deen, SW, NE

Scotland, G'gow, Cent H'lands, Mo-ray Firth, Orlorey: Dry, sunny periods. Wind SW. light to moderate, perhaps fresh later. Max 18C to 20C (64F to 68F). Argyll, NW Scotland: Sunny spells, scattered showers. Cloudier later, rain during evening. Wind S or SW, fresh to strong. Max 17C to 19C (63F to 68F). Shetland: Thundery rain at first, becoming dry with sunny spells. Wind N becoming SW, moderate to fresh, Max

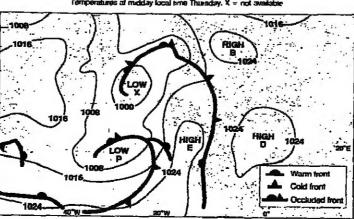
In N. Ireland: Mainly dry with sunry spalls. Cloud increasing with rain during evening. Wind S, moderate becoming fresh to strong. Max 19C (66F). Outlook Dry at first in the South East, rain in northwest spreading

Pollen forecast Scotland, N Ireland, London, low; N England, South West, low to moderate; Midlands, East Anglia, Wales, South East, mod. to high.

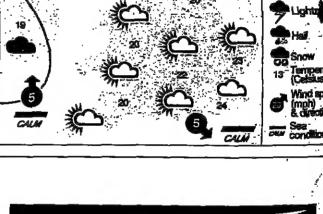
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